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BALOCH FURY AGAINST CHINA'S CPEC REACHES TIPPING POINT

Gwadar port, keystone of China-Pakistan Economic Corridor, is witnessing protests over worsening economic conditions

NO DEVELOPMENT, ONLY MORE POVERTY

Thousands in Gwadar, a city in Pakistan's poor Balochistan province, have been protesting for weeks over a dire lack of drinking water, hospitals and schools. In addition, the locals are angry over a wipe-out of livelihoods due to licences issued to Chinese trawlers. They say the government has failed in its promise to bring economic development through Chinese projects

IMRAN REAFFIRMS COMMITMENT TO CHINA

- To protect economic interests, the government's checkposts and movement restrictions have turned Gwadar into a security state
- Pakistani Prime Minister Imran Khan has neglected the desperate pleas of those the projects were supposed to benefit, and instead said on Saturday that supporting Chinese firms is his priority | **P11**

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ESTIMATED VALUE OF CPEC, THE KEY PART OF CHINA'S 'BELT AND ROAD'

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Crops in 3.43L hectares damaged

1.5 lakh farmers affected; Joint survey soon; ₹500 cr released to repair roads across state

BANSY KALAPPA @ Bengaluru

CROPS in 3.43 lakh hectares of land have been damaged, affecting over 1.5 lakh farmers after heavy rain pounded the state in August and September, said sources on Sunday, quoting Chief Minister Basavaraj Bommai. The government has already released Rs 130 crore as compensation to farmers. Another 79,000 agriculturists would receive Rs 52 crore which was ordered to be released on Sunday, the CM told officials.

After a meeting with Chief Secretary P Ravi Kumar and eight other senior bureaucrats, Bommai is said to have told them that over the next three weeks, agriculture, revenue and horticulture department officials will conduct joint surveys in rain-affected areas, review crop damage and give feedback to the government. Revenue Minister R Ashoka, Water Resources Minister Govind Karjol, Health Minister Dr K Sudhakar and others were present at the meeting.

In all, 24 people have died, and 658 houses damaged, 95 of them partially. 191 cattle heads, sheep and goat are dead.

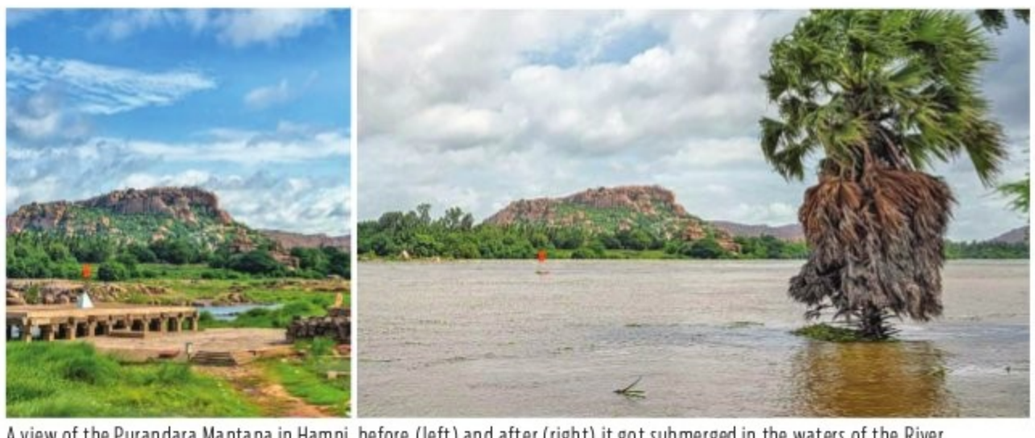
Each of the eight zones in the BBMP limits has been given Rs 25 lakh to immediately attend to the damage caused. He instructed officials to ensure that the roads are given priority. As there are gaping potholes across the city, the BBMP has to erect protective barricades and ensure proper streetlighting to prevent injuries to motorists.

He is said to have requested insurance companies to expedite payments for crop loss. He instructed officials to record the damage, especially to houses, with photographs and to release Rs 1 lakh immediately.

Releasing Rs 500 crore to repair roads, Bommai is said to have asked officials to direct PWD and Rural Development departments to restore roads.

Deputy commissioners have Rs 689 crore at their disposal and they should use the funds for rain-related works. If more money is needed, they could send a request to the government immediately, the sources said quoting CM.

Bommai noted that the highest damage due to rain has been caused in Bengaluru Urban and Rural, Kolar-Chikkaballapur, Ramanagar and Hassan districts, where 1,674 electric poles and 278 transformers have been damaged. P7



A view of the Purandara Mantapa in Hampi, before (left) and after (right) it got submerged in the waters of the River Tungabhadra, which lies in spate due to heavy rain over the last few days | SHIVASHANKAR BANAGAR

Poll code delaying succour, says CM

Visiting flood-affected areas in Chikkaballapur earlier on Sunday, CM Basavaraj Bommai said, "The disbursal of compensation amount has been delayed in various places due to continuous rain. Ministers are touring their respective in-charge districts." "There has been a delay in reaching succour to the affected people as there is an election code of conduct in place due to the Legislative Council polls. We have to seek permission from the Election Commission before announcing any relief. We are planning to write to the EC soon," he said.

SACHIN PILOTS HIS WAY IN, GETS 5 FOLLOWERS INDUCTED

RAJESH ASNANI @ Jaipur

THE long-pending cabinet reshuffle in the Ashok Gehlot-led Rajasthan government went off smoothly on Sunday afternoon, with dissident leader Sachin Pilot claiming it sent a positive message across the state. In all, 11 cabinet ministers and four ministers of state (MoS) were sworn in.

The 11 cabinet ministers include three who have been elevated from MoS. As a result, only 12 new ministers were inducted. Three ministers — Govind Singh Dotasra, Harish Chaudhary and Raghu Sharma — who hold key positions in the party have been dropped. All others have been retained.

The reshuffle exercise is a bid to pacify the Pilot faction, which had revolted against Gehlot last year and sparked off a major crisis for the Congress. Pilot, a former Rajasthan deputy chief minister, figures nowhere in the Cabinet.

Ashok Gehlot

Sachin Pilot

MORE JAT & DALIT REPRESENTATION

Gehlot's cabinet now has four Jat faces, as the Jats play a key role in about 50 seats. Three Dalit ministers, Mamta Bhupesh, Bhajanlal Jatav, Tikaram Julie, have been promoted from minister of state to cabinet rank

Only a respectable position for him will ensure long-term peace and harmony in the state party unit.

The ministers who took oath as a part of the cabinet include Hemaram Chaudhary, Ramlal Jat, Mahendrajeet Singh Malviya, Mahesh Joshi, Vishvendra Singh, Ramesh Meena, Mamta Bhupesh, Bhajan Lal Jatav, Tikaram Julie, Govind Ram Meghwal and Shakuntala Rawat. Dalits, women and tribals got good representation in the revamped ministry.

Among those sworn in on Sunday, Hemaram Chaudhary, Vishvendra Singh and Ramesh Meena are regarded as integral members of the Pilot camp and took oath as cabinet Ministers. Singh and Meena had to lose their seats in the political crisis that erupted over the Pilot rebellion last year. Brijendra Singh Ola and Murari Lal Meena, who have been made MoS, are also Pilot loyalists.

Gehlot also appointed five MLAs as his advisors, three of whom are among the 13 Independents supporting his government. Also, one of the ex-BSP MLAs who joined the Congress has been included.

EXPRESS READ

Mamata on a 3-day visit to New Delhi

New Delhi: West Bengal Chief Minister Mamata Banerjee is in New Delhi for three days from Monday to possibly talk strategy with Opposition leaders ahead of start of the Parliament winter session on November 29. She may also meet PM Modi | **P10**

'Team's spirit legacy from my time'

Chennai: In an exclusive interview with this daily, former head coach, Ravi Shastri, said the biggest legacy of his time would be the team's "never-say-die attitude... no one could write them off. And if you did, it was at your own peril" | **P13**

IN-STEP

A viral picture of PM Narendra Modi and UP Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath taking a stroll in Lucknow's Raj Bhawan on Sunday, set the tone for the state polls | PTI

NATIONWIDE	NOV 20	NOV 21
Fresh cases	10,302	10,488
Recoveries	11,787	12,329
Deaths	267	313

KARNATAKA	NOV 20	NOV 21
Fresh cases	213	247
Recoveries	370	278
Deaths	5	1

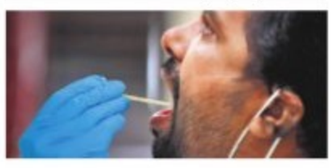
JAB-O-METER

TAKE YOUR SHOT

November 20 **60,25,558 doses**

November 21 **32,70,520 doses**

TOTAL DOSES: 116,89,74,185



HAVING THEIR WAY

6 demands in SKM letter to PM; Cabinet to set ball rolling

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ New Delhi/Chandigarh

THE formal process to rollback the three contentious farm laws promised by Prime Minister Narendra Modi could begin on Wednesday when the Union Cabinet is expected to take up for approval bills seeking their withdrawal. These bills will then be introduced in Parliament after its winter session begins on November 29.

At the Singhu border on Sunday, a meeting of the Samyukt Kisan Morcha (SKM), an umbrella body of farmer unions, reiterated its decision to go ahead with the planned march to Parliament to mark one year of their protests.

It later wrote an open letter to Modi listing six demands: legally guaranteed MSP mechanism; withdrawal of draft bill on power sector reforms; withdrawal of measures to penalise farmers burning stubble around Delhi; withdrawal of cases against agitating farmers; sacking Union minister Ajay Mishra for his alleged role in the Lakhimpur Kheri violence; and compensation to the families of the 700 farmers who died during the course of the agitation as also land around Singhu border to build a memorial for them.

SKM leader Balbir Singh Rajewal said, "The pre-decided programmes will continue: mahapanchayat in Lucknow on November 22; gatherings at all border points on November 26; and march to Parliament on November 29." The next course of action will be decided on November 27. Sunday's meeting also decided to seek the terms of reference of the panel the Centre will set up on MSP, farmer leader Harinder Singh Lakhowal said.

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WINGMAN

From Port Blair to B'luru, it's Rudy in cockpit

S LALITHA @ Bengaluru

IT was a trip to remember for flyers on board two Indigo flights on Sunday. MP Rajiv Pratap Rudy, a commercial pilot licence holder and also a former civil aviation minister, was in the cockpit from Port Blair to Bengaluru (6E 6596) as well as from Bengaluru to Patna (6E 485). Both flights had 180-plus passengers on board.

The MP from the Saran constituency in Patna is on the roster of Indigo as an honorary co-pilot since January 2013, and is the only parliamentarian in the world who also steers planes. Rajiv Gandhi was the only Prime Minister to hold a commercial pilot licence.

MP Rajiv Pratap Rudy (L) with Rajya Sabha member Sambhaji Chhatrapati on board the aircraft on Sunday.

Rudy, who is part of the 32-member Parliamentary Committee on Transport, Tourism and Culture, flew after a meeting at Havelock Islands near Port Blair on Sunday.

Speaking to *TNIE* over phone after signing off from his piloting duties in Patna, Rudy said with a laugh, "I fly on and off and prefer to do so quietly. But many onboard usually approach me for selfies and someone or the other makes it public!"

This time Rajya Sabha member Sambhaji Chhatrapati tweeted a photograph of Rudy in his pilot uniform. P7

A 'frequent flyer'

Rudy was given the honour of steering the maiden Indigo flight from Kolkata to Darbhanga to Bihar on July 5, 2021. A week later on July 13, he piloted a flight that had Chennai Central MP Dayanidhi Maran.

ALMANAC TODAY
• **Monday:** 22/11/2021 • **Year:** Plava • **Ayana:** Dakshinayna
• **Ritu:** Sharad • **Masa:** Karthika • **Paksha:** Krishna • **Tithi:** Thrutheeya 6.53 pm
• **Nakshatra:** Mrigashira (8.37 am) • Moon in Kataka Rashi • **Rahukaala:** 07:30 am to 09:00 am
• **Gulikakala:** 01:30 pm to 03:00 pm • **Yamaganda:** 10:30 am to 12:00 pm

WEATHER
MIN 20°C | MAX 26°C
FORECAST
Rain showers. Broken clouds

Sunrise	6.21 am
Sunset	5.50 pm
Moonrise	8.11 pm
Moonset	8.38 am

A panaromic view of residential buildings in Bengaluru | EXPRESS

Residents issued notice for building norm violations

BBMP follows orders of the High Court

S LALITHA @Bengaluru

THE BBMP recently started serving notices to houses that have violated building by-laws on the city outskirts, sending alarm bells among residents. This follows a High Court order asking the BBMP to submit an action taken report on building violations in the city by December 9.

Residents fear that the door-to-door notices seeking plan approval documents are a precursor to possible demolition. Buildings that have come up on B khata sites (revenue or agricultural land that is yet to be converted into residential land) are considered illegal constructions by the BBMP.

The Court on October 27 came down heavily on the BBMP and its Chief Commissioner for lack of action against building violations in Bengaluru and had called for tough action. It also insisted that photographic evidence on action taken should be submitted.

President of the Trinity Enclave Residents Association Kochu Shankar said nearly 100 houses in this residential complex at Horamavu received notices last week. "The owners are being asked to submit various documents to the BBMP office within three days. When we bought the sites, the B khata sites were not being converted. Lawyers told us that it could be done later with a penalty. All of us have used our retirement money to build houses here. Many are having sleepless nights and are under enormous psychological pressure," he said. "A photo of the notice being handed over by the BBMP staffer to the house owner is being taken as proof. This has upset the owners further," Shankar added.

> **We are going only by what the High Court has ordered us to do. The public should never have indulged in violations and built the properties in the first place**
>
> BBMP official

Jagdish Reddy of Varthur Rising, a civic movement, said, "Half of Bengaluru is unplanned and unregulated. The government cannot undo what they have done already. In future, the town planning section should not allow illegal layouts."

A top BBMP official said, "We are going only by what the High Court has ordered us to do. The public should never have indulged in violations and built the properties in the first place. We should also never have given permission to go ahead with constructions on B khata sites. Both mistakes have been committed in the past. We are now trying to take action within legal limits."

Monsoon blues come to haunt HBR residents

DONNA EVA @ Bengaluru

DESPITE pleas to the authorities, residents continue to suffer from heavy water-logging and flooding around Bengaluru each monsoon. The residents of HBR Layout are constant victims of poor drainage systems and road management, which worsens during the monsoon. One particular street, 9th Cross in HBR Layout 3rd Block, sees major water-logging every year, with almost waist-high water.

Residents say the issue stems from an illegally constructed residential building that has been blocking the natural flow of water. "According to BDA plans, there was supposed to be a road connecting ours to the main road on the other side, but they've somehow constructed a building there which prevents rainwater from flowing out," Vikram MV, a resident, told *TNIE*.

Another building was also under construction on the road when residents complained. So far, the only action that has been taken is a stay notice issued on the building, as well as a notice posted on it. However, the building had been constructed nearly twenty years ago, with the issues arising around that time.

The added pressure from water flooding the road has caused compound walls to weaken, in addition to residents falling sick from water entering their sumps, besides damage to their cars. "We stop using the sumps around monsoon for this reason... we usually switch to using our water tanks to avoid falling sick," said another resident, Mohammed Muzammil.

Numerous residents were involved in trying to file complaints, with many expressing concern about sump contamination and stagnant water turning a breeding ground for mosquitoes. "There's always a passing of blame from one authority to the other, but in the end, nothing is done despite so many promises being made," said George K X, former president of the HBR Layout Residents Welfare Association (HBRRWA).

Motorists brave a heavy downpour in Bengaluru on Sunday | EXPRESS

Current HBRRWA president, S J Tholpadi, also expressed dissatisfaction. "We've filed complaints from the association and had countless meetings, but they don't take us seriously or just pass the buck. When we put pressure on them, they start doing work here and there, which is never a permanent solution and not up to the mark," he added.

Recently, after 9th Main was flooded due to the rain, and East Joint Commissioner Shilpa R as well as the ward's executive engineer and assistant executive engineer had visited the area to survey the damage. "We're currently assessing what needs to be done and will hopefully have a joint meeting with the BDA, BBMP and BWSSB before the coming Saturday to find a permanent solution to the problem," said Executive Engineer Mohan Gowda.

PRIMATE PROBLEM

Commuters must first dodge monkeys before taking Metro

S LALITHA @ Bengaluru

COMMUTERS arriving at or departing from the Swami Vivekananda Road Metro station are experiencing a peculiar problem -- monkeys snatching away their bags, dupattas and mobiles. The problem has become quite rampant that it prompted Metro officials to put up notices at the station, warning the public about the presence of the simians.

"Beware of Monkeys," read a few printouts in Kannada and English pasted near the steps leading to the elevated Platforms One and Two.

Bangalore Metro Rail Corporation Limited (BMRCL) staffers or their outsourced employees have shot off repeated letters to the Forest Department to ensure that the primates are relocated, but to no avail. TNIE has a copy sent from the station to the Forest office in Malleswaram, which reads: "Monkeys are snatching bags, mobiles and pulling the dupattas worn by women commuters. Many passengers are suffering because of them. If you threaten them, the monkeys get back at you ferociously."

A monkey seated near a staircase at Swami Vivekananda Road Metro station in Bengaluru

Commuters have given written complaints at the station, as well as filed complaints online, explained a staffer, but added that they were not permitted to share them.

A staffer said, "The problem was rampant at Halasuru station before Covid-19, but has shifted to the Swami Vivekananda Road station after trains began operated post-pandemic."

A staffer on duty at the station said, "The monkeys may be a few, but the menace they cause is quite something. They snatch bags, particularly from ladies, take out any available food and throw the rest down from elevated platforms. The smartphone of a security guard was smashed to bits four months ago," he said.

A Forest team came and spent a day here in a bid to catch the monkeys, but the latter did not make a presence that day, a Metro source said. "No one knows when they will come and when they will leave. But we are all scared of them attacking us," he added.

A staffer at the station recounted an incident when a woman commuter screamed when her bag was taken away. "A male commuter lifted the fire extinguisher on the platform and sprayed it on the monkey. It dropped the bag and fled in fear."

PM may unveil housing project for poor in Dec

ASHWINI M SRIPAD @ Bengaluru

IF the Housing Department's plans come through, PM Narendra Modi will inaugurate the housing project for urban poor in Bengaluru next month. The project, envisaged during the tenure of former chief minister and Congress leader Siddaramaiah in 2016, aims at constructing one lakh houses. In 2018, the government had called for tenders to construct the houses, but acquiring the required land proved to be a Herculean task for the authorities due to land crunch.

Later, during the Congress-JDS government, the then chief minister H D Kumaraswamy extended the scheme to other cities in Karnataka. However, there was not much progress. The project, however, gained momentum during the tenure of BS Yediyurappa as CM. In May this year, Housing Minister V Somanna had even announced that Yediyurappa would hand over the first 6,000 houses to the beneficiaries on August 15. However, there was a change of guard in the state with Yediyurappa stepping down from the CM's post.

Under the project, each house will cost Rs 5 lakh for the general category and Rs 4.2 lakh for SC and ST beneficiaries. Chief Minister Basavaraj Bommai, who met Prime Minister Modi in Delhi recently, had invited him to Bengaluru in December to launch several projects, including the long-pending suburban rail project. Sources in the Housing Department told The New Sunday Express that about 4,000 houses will be fully completed in the next fortnight. "We have land and clearance to construct 65,000 houses across the city of which 42,000 are in various stages of construction. Houses are being constructed in 46 locations on 316 acres," an official said.

For BJP, it could boost its prospects in the elections to Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike to be held in 2022, which, in turn, will help it win more seats in Bengaluru in the 2023 Assembly polls. When contacted, Housing Minister Somanna said that he was discussing the matter with Bommai and a final decision will be taken soon.

Daily Starscope

PETER VIDAL

22nd November: My sign of the day is Aries, the fiery, furious, first section of the zodiac. Whatever our individual signs, this therefore looks like a time which is more volatile and emotional than usual. We can all respond in different ways, but my advice, as always, is to avoid unnecessary confrontations.

ARIES (Mar 21 - Apr. 20)
Two lively planets, Mercury and Venus, are encouraging your best personal attributes. But a dilemma is sharpened: should you or should you not bare your soul to the world? If you find the answer to this or any other questions this week, then you're a very unusual person indeed!

TAURUS (Apr. 21 - May 21)
Venus, your planetary ruler is forming some easy relationships, but also some difficult ones. At the heart of this paradox lie a vital contradiction and a complicated relationship. I think you'll have the last laugh in all personal disputes, no matter how complex they are.

GEMINI (May 22 - June 21)
A good general never underestimates his, or her, enemy. So please do not make the mistake of imagining that other people are talking nonsense, otherwise you will, sooner or later, fall flat on your face. Besides, questions which have been running round and round in your mind are unlikely to be resolved just yet.

CANCER (June 22 - July 23)
I have two good forecasts today. First, you will overcome all obstacles. Second, there should be no new obstacles in any case! But there's another dimension that I need to mention, one related to that nebulous planet, Neptune. This suggests that you might not notice what's staring you in the face.

LEO (July 24 - Aug. 23)
If at all possible, delay the launch of a major venture until you are absolutely ready. This doesn't mean that you shouldn't continue with preparations. Quite the contrary: there is much to be done if you are to ensure your eventual success. Just don't box yourself in.

VIRGO (Aug. 24 - Sept. 23)
I'd like to look at your long-term cycles for a moment and point out that within nine months you will be free from much that you currently find so restricting or aggravating. Needless to say, patience is required. And then there's the little matter of the fact that people you live with seem to be stuck in the past. Don't worry: it will pass.

LIBRA (Sept. 24 - Oct. 23)
It's not your professional skill is which shine today, but personal gifts. You do have the perfect opportunity to grasp the reins at work, but it's partly due to your underrated considerate and compassionate qualities. Why not let other people know that you really do care?

SCORPIO (Oct. 24 - Nov. 22)
After so much irritation and mischief-making by partners and family members, you probably expect less from other people than you ought to. It may be another few days at least before you can say your piece and redress the balance. There's no hurry, so don't rush it unduly.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23 - Dec. 22)
It now seems that you are anxious to change your lifestyle, though I should think that any adjustments will be relatively minor. It's almost just a question of shifting the furniture and replacing a few heirlooms. It's amazing how a sufficient number of small improvements add up to a major transformation.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 23 - Jan. 20)
You have become aware that you cannot always be the giver. Sometimes you must be the one who takes. Yet today you may have to grin and bear it as other people once again seem to have the advantage. Wait until tomorrow! And ignore those people who tell you that 'tomorrow never comes'!

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21 - Feb. 19)
It's a busy day in a rather trivial, routine sense, and quite an emotional one as well, but that's not what's really significant. Far more important is the necessity to realise that whether you stand or fall is now entirely due to you. That knowledge should give you the incentive you need to pull through.

PISCES (Feb. 20 - Mar 20)
Cruise along in the realisation that you really are rather smart. It's not often that other people take much notice of your ideas, perhaps because you're so far ahead of the times. But for the next few weeks they'll be listening, so make the most of it!

THE PHANTOM

SEE IF I UNDERSTAND, MOZE....
UP UNTIL THIS POINT, MY DEATH WOULD BRING NO HARM....
TO ANYONE BUT ME?
SOMETHING HAPPENS AFTER MY LIFE IS SPARED?
AND IT'S THAT THING THAT BRINGS DOWN DISASTER ON MY LOVED ONES?
NOW YOU'RE LISTENING! HEARING!
DISCERNING!
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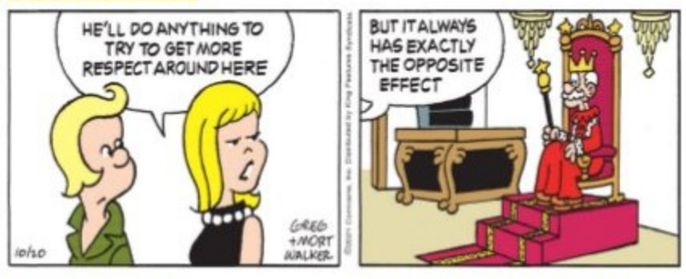
DE PAUL + NARDO

HI AND LOIS

BEETLE BAILEY



BLONDIE

TUDBURY'S HAS BEEN POSTING A LOT OF ONLINE SALES FOR THEIR LOYAL CUSTOMERS.
YOU DON'T HAVE TO FALL FOR ALL THOSE OFFERS, YOU KNOW
I KNOW, HONEY
OH, LOOK! MEN'S BOAT SHOES ARE SIXTY PERCENT OFF THIS WEEK!
DO THEY HAVE ANY IN GREEN?

LOCKHORNS

DENNIS THE MENACE

SUDOKU

Hard: Test your number crunching skill with our unique puzzle

Fill in the grid with digits in such a manner that every row, every column and every 3X3 box accommodates the digits 1 to 9, without repeating any.

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	3	5	7				1	
				3	8	5		6

Solutions to Saturday's puzzle

5	4	9	6	2	1	3	8	7
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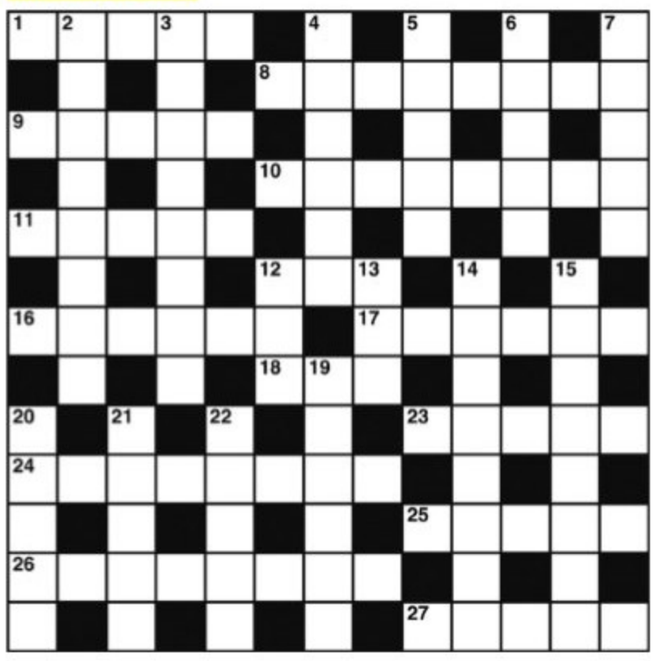
CROSS WORD



ACROSS
1 A last edition of a book (5)
8 Peacemaking counsel is put at risk (8)
9 When established, something to one's credit (5)
10 Possibly a wood building of course (4,4)
11 Dad has to work in the break (5)
12 Drop of sea water (3)
16 A row about a pig - say it isn't yours (6)
17 The Greeks had a word for it I've discovered (6)
18 Father gives some bad advice (3)
23 The stage's new shape (5)
24 Very warm fabric - possibly stolen? (3,5)
25 One may see through this traitor (5)
26 Political victim of restrictive practice? (8)
27 Speculate for example in produce (5)

DOWN
2 Australia's largest territorial detachment (8)
3 A particular form of dislike (8)
4 Put in a grave position (6)
5 Port and orange (5)
6 I left in time being quick moving (5)
7 A gift for dishonesty? (5)
12 An object or part of one (3)
13 A soft spot for roses say? (3)
14 Noble combination of duck and hare (8)
15 Blue picture? (8)
19 Alan and Frederick will shortly join another fellow (6)
20 A rich sort of job for a professor (5)
21 Speak for the government? (5)
22 One employed in the baby carriage business (5)

SATURDAY'S SOLUTIONS

Across: 1 Proud boast, 6 Eric, 10 Paste, 11 Radiation, 12 Presumes, 13 Irene, 15 Realign, 17 Slowest, 19 Antonym, 21 Cheapen, 22 Wrist, 24 Spectrum, 27 Recollect, 28 Rodeo, 29 Dire, 30 Archimedes.

Down: 1 Papa, 2 Observant, 3 Dregs, 4 Oarsmen, 5 Sadists, 7 Raise, 8 Concertina, 9 Baritone, 14 Dream world, 16 Innately, 18 Expounded, 20 Masseur, 21 Cheetah, 23 Incur, 25 Thrum, 26 Moas.

JUMBLE By David L. Hoyt and Jeff Knurek

Unscramble these Jumbles, one letter to each square, to form four ordinary words.

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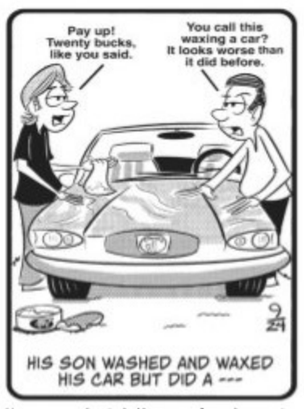
Pay up! Twenty bucks, like you said.
You call this waxing a car? It looks worse than it did before.
HIS SON WASHED AND WAXED HIS CAR BUT DID A ---

Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the above cartoon

ANSWERS TOMORROW

SATURDAY'S **Jumbles:**
FEIGN OCCUR VIABLE STIGMA
ANSWER: Seeing the bridle with its mouthpiece made the young horse – A BIT NERVOUS

The Byatarayanapura police arrested two youths who allegedly committed thefts in crowded buses, and recovered valuables worth Rs 23.50 lakh, and solved 10 cases. Surya alias David (28) and Rajkumar alias Raj (26), residents of Pantarapalya, had stolen gold valuables belonging to a woman in a crowded bus, between Majestic and Rajarajeshwari Nagar on October 10

SERPENTARIUM TO COME UP IN BENGALURU

Will aid venom research, to cut deaths due to snakebite; will house 500 snakes of 23 species, scorpions and spiders

RANJANI MADHAVAN @Bengaluru

A serpentarium is to open in Bengaluru soon, to aid venom and anti-venom research. Evolutionary Venomics Lab, funded by the IT/BT department of the Karnataka government, will open the serpentarium, which can house about 500 snakes belonging to 23 species, and also other venomous animals like scorpions and spiders. It will be established at a cost of Rs 7 crore.

As the current anti-venoms are ineffective and require overhaul, researchers from Indian Institute of Science (IISc), of which Evolutionary Venomics Lab is a part, will develop advanced therapeutic strategies to treat snakebite. Venom will be extracted from snakes housed and used for research. The lab, which collaborates with the Institute of Bioinformatics and Applied Biotechnology, currently works with major anti-venom manufactures to test the effectiveness of anti-venom in India.

"A serpentarium will be invaluable, as we don't have such a facility in the country. It takes years to collect venom for research, as the process of getting permission from the forest department is long, and not all are capable of collecting venom. Most people purchase venom from the Irula Snake Catchers' Industrial Cooperative Society in Tamil Nadu, where venom is collected from a couple of districts," said Dr Kartik Sunagar, professor, Centre for Ecological Sciences, IISc.

He said that four major species are responsible for a majority of deaths and disabilities in India, and the current anti-venoms are not effective as they are collected from only a couple of districts. Therefore, the available anti-venoms are not effective on other species' venoms. The venoms of these four species also differ, based on their geographic location, and the anti-venoms are unable to neutralise venom in this case.

The serpentarium will also house startups to promote research in the neglected area of biodiscovery aspects in India. The startups will work towards identifying compounds that have a therapeutic potential. As per the state's order, the government's aim is to reduce deaths and impairment caused by snakebite to 50%, by 2030. The government aims to make next-generation anti-venom easily available and affordable.

"The centre will enable the characterisation of venom variation and formulation of India's next generation anti-venom. It will also play a major role in quality assessment of venom for the manufacture of life-saving anti-venoms, efficacy testing of commercial Indian anti-venoms, resource development for anti-venom strategies, wildlife forensics analysis of venom, biodiversity, biotechnological innovations and outreach about the importance of the species in the ecosystem," read the government order signed by Shalini K Hegde, undersecretary to government, IT-BT department.

"To shape the future of biotechnology in areas having wide societal impact and increased bioeconomy, we are establishing an Anti-Venom R&D Centre at Bengaluru Helix Biotech Park," said Dr C N Ashwath Narayan, Minister for Electronics, IT-BT and Science & Technology.

TRACKING COVID-19

SPEED AND RISE OF COVID-19 CASES IN KARNATAKA

247 CASES REPORTED TODAY

213 CASES REPORTED YESTERDAY

TALLY STANDS AT: TODAY 29,93,599; YESTERDAY 29,93,352

DEATHS: TODAY 1; YESTERDAY 5

The first Covid-19 case in Karnataka was reported on March 8, 2020. Since then until November 21, 2021, a total of 29,93,599 cases have been reported in 1 year and 257 days...

DISCHARGES: TODAY 278; YESTERDAY 370

Active cases
TODAY 7,064
YESTERDAY 7,096

POSITIVITY RATE
TODAY 5.68%
YESTERDAY 5.69%

The day positivity rate — **0.31%** — is calculated as the number of patients testing positive out of 100 tests conducted only in a day.

MORTALITY RATE
TODAY 1.27%
YESTERDAY 1.27%

RECOVERY RATE
TODAY 98.48%
YESTERDAY 98.48%

DISTRICT-WISE COVID CASES

LAST 24 HOURS

BENGALURU URBAN	BENGALURU RURAL
134	1

Bagalkot	0
Ballari	1
Belagavi	2
Bidar	0
Chamarajanagar	3
Chikkaballapur	0
Chikkamagaluru	5
Chitradurga	1
Dakshina Kannada	10
Davanagere	1
Dharwad	2
Gadag	0
Hassan	6
Haveri	0
Kalaburagi	0
Kodagu	6
Kolar	3
Koppal	0
Mandya	2
Mysuru	48
Raichur	0
Ramanagara	0
Shivamogga	1
Tumakuru	10
Udupi	5
Uttara Kannada	6
Vijayapura	0
Yadgir	0

Covid curve flattens, 1,000 cases added in two months

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FOR the past 65 days, less than 1,000 Covid-19 cases have been added to the state tally, which now stands at 29,93,599. The positivity rate, which has been on the decline since June 6, reduced from over 8 per cent to the current 5.68 per cent. The recovery rate in Karnataka has been largely on the rise since May 12, when it was at 70.16 per cent, to 98.48 per cent on November 21.

For the past 21 days, daily deaths have been in single digits, with one fatality on Sunday, taking the total to 38,175, while retaining the mortality rate at 1.27 per cent. Active cases have been reducing for the most part since May 18, when the number was 5,75,028, to the present day where it is 7,064.

In Bengaluru too, cases started dipping below the daily 1,000-mark on June 24. At the end of September, the daily caseload started falling below 200. On Saturday and Sunday, 134 fresh cases were reported each day. The recovery rate in the city is at its highest at 98.23 per cent, while the mortality rate continues at 1.30 per cent, even as one death took the city's toll to 16,323. Active cases which recently fell below the 6,000-mark, currently stand at 5,798.

NCB sleuths conduct 3 operations, recover drugs sent through courier

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SLEUTHS of the Narcotics Control Bureau (NCB) conducted three operations in nine days, seized 244 gm of amphetamine and other drugs and arrested six persons.

An official release stated that on November 11, the Bengaluru NCB team intercepted a courier parcel with 40 gm of methamphetamine that was being sent from Bengaluru to Thiruvananthapuram in Kerala. Delivering the package, the sleuths also arrested the receiver in Thiruvananthapuram.

In another operation, NCB officers of Cochin Sub-Zone intercepted a parcel at Thiruvananthapuram on November 16 based on specific inputs about a parcel going through a courier from Bengaluru to Thiruvananthapuram. "Examination of the said parcel resulted in the recovery of 244 gm of amphetamine, 25 stamps of LSD, and 2 gm of methaqualone. The contraband was found to be concealed well in a gift parcel containing chewing gum and chocolates, which was difficult to detect initially. Based on field inputs, the receiver was identified and arrested," the release added.

NCB Chennai zonal unit officers intercepted a vehicle on Vellore-Krishnagiri Road in Tamil Nadu on Saturday and arrested four residents of Erode. Over 212.5 kg of ganja concealed beneath coconut saplings was seized.

In the three operations, 244 gm of amphetamine, 25 stamps of LSD, 2 gm of methaqualone, 44 gm of methamphetamine, 212.5 kg of ganja, and two vehicles have been seized.

> **Examination of the parcel resulted in the recovery of 244 gm of amphetamine, 25 stamps of LSD, and 2 gm of methaqualone. The contraband was found to be concealed in a gift parcel containing chewing gum and chocolate**— A press release from NCB

Ex-corporator's wife names son as abettor to suicide

ENS @ Bengaluru

AFTER BBMP former corporator MB Shivappa hanged himself, his wife on Sunday filed a case of abetment to suicide against five realtors, including their son Vinay.

HP Gayatri Shivappa complained to Chandra Layout police that her son Vinay took some of the property documents belonging to her husband and sold them to some of his friends who are into real estate business. Shivappa had told Gayatri a few days ago that he was receiving threats from a group, who were demanding Rs 4 crore from him. Shivappa had also filed a complaint with Madanayakanahalli police against a family, which had taken money from him after promising to sell land and cheated him. Gayatri alleged that Shivappa ended his life by suicide as he was unable to tolerate the harassment by these people. The police registered a case of abetment to suicide and are investigating the case.

Shivappa, a resident of Attiguppe, hanged himself on Thursday when he was alone at home. When his family members returned, they found him hanging and rushed him to a nearby hospital, where he was declared brought dead. Vinay, however, told the police that Shivappa took the extreme step as he was facing health issues.

CRIME PATROL

5 arrested for robbing home-alone woman in HRBR Layout

BENGALURU : Kodigehalli police have arrested a gang of five men who committed robbery in a house and recovered booty worth Rs 25 lakh from them. The accused were addicted to gambling and decided to rob the house and used a pistol to threaten the home-alone woman. According to the police, the accused were nabbed on the outskirts of the city while they were hatching a robbery plot. During interrogation, the gang revealed that they had committed a robbery in HRBR Layout after barging into the house of one belonging to Shashikala. She was alone at home and threatened her with a pistol and robbed gold and silver ornaments from her. The gang was addicted to gambling and had committed eight thefts in and around the city. ENS

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The Public is hereby informed that if anybody have any objections for the above said Sale, they may file their objections along with the related documents to the under signed within **Fifteen days** from the date of this publication. If no objections have been received within the above time, my Clients will proceed to Purchase the Schedule Property out of Schedule Property as nobody have any objections.

SCHEDULE

All that piece and parcel of the Immovable Property bearing Residential **vacant Site No.226, Village Panchayat Khatha No.490, BBMP Old Khatha No.490/226, New Khatha No.1966/490/226**, formed in Converted Sy No.5/3, duly converted from Agricultural to Non-Agricultural Residential purpose, vide Official Memorandum (Conversion Order) No.B.DIS.ALN.SR(NA)60/1995-96 dated 19-09-1995, issued by the Special Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore District, situated at **Chikkabettahalli Village, Yelahanka Hobli**, presently comes under the jurisdiction of Bruhat Bangalore Mahanagara Palike, Attur Ward No.03, Bangalore, North (Addl) Taluk, presently Yelahanka Taluk, measuring, **East to West: 30 feet, North to South: 50 feet in total 1500 square feet** Bounded on the.
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2.	Pre-bid meeting	23.11.2021 at 11:00 AM
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Autonomy to legislature soon: Speaker

This will do away with the need to approach the finance department for budget, claims Kageri

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LEGISLATIVE Assembly Speaker Vishweshwar Hegde Kageri said here on Sunday that the state Legislature will get financial autonomy soon after he holds talks with Chief Minister Basavaraja Bommai. On his return from a two-day all-India conference for presiding officers in Shimla, Kageri said the autonomy will help re-appropriation of the budget if needed without approaching the Finance Department. The Shimla conference was to mark the centenary of a similar meeting held in 1921.

"We put forth a demand for the budget annually and an audit is also conducted to check for any misappropriation," he added. "Already, the Lok Sabha has the autonomy and the Himachal Pradesh government too has given financial freedom to its legislature. If done in Karnataka, it will only be the second state in the country to pass such an order. There was a debate for over seven years and the government has to take a decision now," he said. "Council Chairman Basavaraja Horatti and I will hold talks with the chief minister and finance department officials," he added.

Already, Lok Sabha has the autonomy and Himachal Pradesh too has given financial freedom to its legislature - **Vishweshwar Hegde Kageri**

The Shimla conference decided that the presiding officers should speak to leaders of all parties and arrive at an agreement that there should be no ruckus during President's and Governor's addresses and also during the question hour. It was also decided to hold the all-India conference of presiding officers twice a year with one session in New Delhi and the second in another state.

The Shimla conference passed a resolution to conduct orientation courses and workshops to all newly elected members on the Rules of Procedure, conduct and behaviour before the legislature session begins. A mobile app is also being planned on the Lok Sabha and Assembly sessions, he said.

PAC conference in New Delhi

KAGERI said a national conference on the Public Accounts Committee (PAC) chairpersons and presiding officers is slated to be held in New Delhi on December 4 and 5. This conference also marks its centenary year, he added. Based on the recommendations at the conference, the PAC will decide on the accountability index on the action taken.

STRAWS IN THE WIND

Cashing in on colour green

The Karnataka Congress is quite gung-ho, and with reason too. The victory in Hanagal gave the party a boost, and now, PM Narendra Modi's promise to repeal the three farm laws has given the party a big fillip. Not to miss out on an opportunity, leaders at Sunday's mega rally in Tumakuru donned green shawls. All, except KPCC President D K Shivakumar. The symbolism could not be lost on rival parties. While lighting the lamp on stage, Siddaramaiah got a green candle while Shivakumar got a pink one. But the latter brushed aside such inanities and went ballastic on the farmers' issue. Surprisingly, no Congress leader raised the bitcoin issue, which some interpreted as a case of party leaders living in glass houses.

Rivals Cong, BJP work out a deal?

The BJP announced only 20 candidates for 25 Council seats going for polls on December 10. It announced a lone candidate even in the dual seat of Dakshina Kannada-Udupi, where minister Srinivas Poojary is the candidate. While Poojary's victory is inevitable, the party apparently does not want to take a risk by fielding another candidate, as the votes would get split. This is bound to help the Congress candidate. Similarly, in the dual seats of Dharwad, Belagavi, Mysuru-Chamarajanagar and Vijayapura-Bagalkot, the BJP announced only one candidate each. In Dharwad, the BJP candidate is Pradeep Shettar, while Saleem Ahmed is likely to be the Congress candidate. Both can win with ease. Tumakuru seat was held by the JDS, but this time, to divide its votes, the BJP has fielded a Vokkaliga candidate, N Lokesh. The rival parties appear to be looking at a win-win situation, with some mutual understanding.

Bitcoin conundrum for Kageri

Karnataka Legislative Assembly Speaker Vishweshwara Hegde Kageri is yet to overcome the Shimla hangover. He was in the hill station town to attend the presiding officers' conference. On Sunday, he held a press conference to share his experiences, especially on the chilly weather. "We felt it to be 4 to 3 degree Celsius, but it might have dipped to minus," he said. In the midst of this pleasant conversation, a scribe raised the hot topic of the bitcoin scam. "I can't understand the intricacies of the bitcoin scam," claimed Kageri, but ventured to say that the coin is bound to have a skull inscribed on it," he said. On a lighter note, asked if he had any offers to invest in bitcoin, he said no one came forward to provide help. "Share market investment is white money, while black money goes into bitcoins. Once, I too entered the share market, incurred a loss of four times the investment, and made an exit," he said.

WAR OF WORDS

(Left) Senior BJP leader BS Yediyurappa greets party's candidate for MLC polls from Belagavi Mahantesh Kavatagimath at 'Jan Swaraj Yatra' in Belagavi on Sunday. MP Mangala Angadi and former minister Laxman Savadi look on; Congress women's wing members protest against skyrocketing cooking gas price in Tumakuru | EXPRESS

Siddu-DKS rift delaying Cong candidate list: BSY

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FORMER chief minister BS Yediyurappa on Sunday said that there is a delay in the Congress announcing its list of candidates for the December 10 MLC polls owing to a rift between KPCC president DK Shivakumar and Leader of Opposition in the Assembly Siddaramaiah.

"There is differences of opinion between the two leaders. Siddaramaiah is incapable of finalising the party's list," the 78-year-old Lingayat strongman told the media.

Launching a tirade against Siddaramaiah for calling BJP's 'Jan Swaraj Yatra' as 'Jan Barbaad Yatra' and 'touring talkies', Yediyurappa said, "We are collecting details from farmers and officials on crop loss owing to untimely rains at the Jan Swaraj Yatra. We will later submit a comprehensive report to the Union and State governments to ensure that the farmers get compensation. Siddaramaiah is speaking whatever comes to his mind after realising that his party enjoys no mass support."

He said the BJP has fielded candidates in 20 of the 25 constituencies that are going to polls and expressed confidence of winning in at least 15 seats. "Our yatra is getting a good response except in Mandya and 2-3 other constituencies. But we will work hard to win in those seats too," he thundered.

On Lakhan Jarkiholi, brother of BJP Gokak MLA Ramesh Jarkiholi, contesting the polls as an Independent, he said, "I will discuss and take him into confidence to ensure that our candidate Mahantesh Kavatagimath wins."

United front in GOP, leaders slam BJP's Jan Swaraj Yatra

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AHEAD of the December 10 elections to the Karnataka Legislative Council for 25 seats, the Congress put up a united front at a party rally in Tumakuru on Sunday. Congress Legislature Party leader Siddaramaiah, KPCC president DK Shivakumar, former deputy CM Dr G Parameshwara and other party leaders took part in the rally.

Addressing the gathering, Siddaramaiah criticised the BJP's Jan Swaraj Yatra at a time when the people of the state are in distress due to crop loss caused by heavy rains. He said that there was an undeclared Emergency in the country as there is a threat to freedom of expression.

On Prime Minister Narendra Modi's announcement of repealing the three controversial farm laws, the Badami MLA said lives of over 700 farmers could have been saved, if the decision was taken earlier. "I urge the Union Government to release Rs 25 lakh each to the families of the farmers who died while protesting against the laws," he added.

Karnataka State Contractors Association president Kempanna had exposed the bribe in the government by writing to the governor as there was a demand of up to 40% commission for work orders, he said.

Shivakumar urged the Bommai government in state to repeal the amendments to the Land Reforms Act and APMC Act. He urged the Centre to grant five acres each to the kin of the farmers who died during their struggle against the farm laws.

Interestingly, none of the leaders, including senior leader Dr G Parameshwara, raised the issue of Bitcoin scam during the rally.

Have faith in CM, says seer on reservation

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
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KUDALASANGAMA Panchamasali Peeth seer Basava Jaya Mruthyunjaya Swami on Sunday expressed confidence in Chief Minister Basavaraj Bommai according 2A category reservation for the community in the next three months.

Speaking to reporters here, he said, "When I visited Bengaluru as part of the Panchamsali Pratigna Panchayat, the CM had invited us to his home-office and assured us of delivering justice to the Panchamsali community. Minister CC Patil, former minister Vinay Kulakarni and former MLA Vijayanand Kashappanavar were also present. Thus, another three months of time has been given to the government. CM Bommai has promised us of taking a decision soon after the Backward Classes Commission submits its report. This commission had decided to hold a meeting in Belagavi on December 9, 10, and 11. However, the meeting has been deferred owing to the December 10 MLC election."

"It is our duty to respect the Election Commission and wait for a while. Now, it is the duty of the government to get the report in the next three months and announce its decision," the seer added.

MLC ELECTIONS

It's polls for 'moneybags': Candidates need ₹20-30cr

BANSY KALAPPA @Bengaluru

THE upcoming MLC poll could be called the election of 'moneybags'. The Big 3 are looking for a Richie Rich candidate who can splurge Rs 20-30 crore to win the election. Proof lies in the list of outgoing candidates -- they are either wealthy businessmen or realtors, extremely wealthy High Networth Individuals whose election affidavits bear out their super-rich financial status.

No matter which party they belong to — BJP, Congress or JDS—all candidates have deep pockets. At closed-door meetings, aspirants are asked point-blank, if they can "afford it".

Which raises the point: why do they need that kind of money? This is an election where the voters are mostly elected members of gram panchayats and elected local bodies, and the going rate is Rs 15,000 to Rs 20,000 per vote.

Various sources TNIE spoke to confirmed the amounts, and for a win, it means Rs 20 crore or thereabouts, depending on the amount paid. More than 80-90 per cent of the electorate consists of Gram Panchayat members.

After the win, how do they earn back this cash? The winner, who has ploughed in a big amount of money, would seek to earn it through contracts and other largesse of the ruling party, which is the reason why there is so much pressure on the ruling party. The opposition Congress and JDS will find the going tough, which is why the two parties may not do well.

Former IIM dean Prof Trilochan Shastry, and current chairman of Association for Democratic Reforms (ADR), that seeks to end corruption in politics, said, "They should find people who are wise, qualified and interested in public service. Wealth cannot be the only method of selecting candidates."

Political analyst B S Murthy said, "Those who get elected from local bodies are an exclusive group of millionaires. The extremely affluent see this as a short cut to power. Polls to these 25 seats will see unhindered flow of money and gifts offered to voters."

The Congress and JDS could end up as the biggest gainers and their tally could go past the 40-mark, giving them a majority in the 75-member House.

Outgoing members

S R Patil, Prathap Chandra Shetty, Srikanth Gotnekar, R Dharmasena, Vijay Singh, Basavraj Patil E, K C Kondaiah, Prashanth Kumar, M A Gopalswamy, M Narayanaswamy, S Ravi, Raghu Achar, Vivek Patil, CR Manohar, BML Kanthraju, N Appaji Gowda, Sandesh Nagaraj, Kota Sreenivas Poojary, B G Patel, Pradeep Shettar, M K Pranesh, Sunil Subramani Mandepanda, Mahantesh Kavatagimath

Cong may contest both seats in Bagalkot-V'pura

MAHESH M GOUDAR
@Bagalkot/Vijayapura

WITH hardly two days left to file nomination papers for the Legislative Council polls, Congress is yet to announce its candidates. All eyes are now on the Karnataka Pradesh Congress Committee (KPCC) to see if it will contest all the 25 Council seats or 20. In the dual-seat, Vijayapura-Bagalkot local body segment, it is likely to contest both the seats, sources said.

"But local leaders are insisting that the party contest from one seat. Since both the sitting MLCs, SR Patil and Sunilgouda Patil, are not ready to budge, the party is likely to give tickets to both of them to avoid dissent," they added.

The BJP, however, has announced that it will contest from one seat in Vijayapura-Bagalkot. The ticket has been given to two-time former MLA PH Pujar, who has already filed his nomination.

A senior Congress leader said, "The party is considering fighting one seat as it will be an easy win with BJP too contesting from one seat. The party is backing Sunilgouda Patil, but SR Patil too is demanding a ticket. SR Patil has been assured of a ticket in the 2023 Assembly polls, but he is not willing to give up."

He said, "To avoid dissent, the party may give tickets to both the sitting MLCs."

Asked if he will contest as an independent, Sunilgouda Patil said, "I have no such plans."

ANNUAL RITUAL

Members of the Bettada Balaga perform mahabhisheka to the monolith statue of Nandi atop Chamundi Hills in Mysuru on Sunday. The 350-year-old statue was bathed in a variety of items like milk, curd, ghee and kumkum | EXPRESS

Won't shield guilty, says CM after ACB raids BDA

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CHIEF Minister Basavaraj Bommai on Sunday said that there was no question of protecting anyone involved in the alleged corruption in Bangalore Development Authority (BDA). "The State Government will not tolerate corruption in any form. There is no question of shielding anyone," he told the media.

The Anti-Corruption Bureau (ACB) on Friday and Saturday raided the BDA office and claimed to have unearthed irregularities and corruption by officials. "The ACB had conducted a raid recently. We will act based on the ACB report. The truth will come out," Bommai added.

Bommai also acknowledged that he had received complaints from the public on corruption in the BDA. "SR Vishwanath, MLA and BDA chairman, had also spoken to me about this. Officials of the Urban Development Department have been told to investigates. The guilty, whoever it may be, however influential they may be, will not be spared. In the interest of delivering its services to the public, the BDA needs to be cleaned up," the CM said.

On damage to infrastructure in Bengaluru owing to untimely rains, Bommai said he has already visited low-lying areas like HSR Layout, Rajarajeshwari Nagar, Madiwala, and Koramangala.

'Son rise' in Shivamogga: Dynasty politics takes centre stage

MARX TEJASWI @ Shivamogga

WITH the fielding of DS Arun, son of senior BJP leader DH Shankaramurthy, as a candidate for the upcoming MLC elections, the children of all three top BJP leaders from Shivamogga have entered mainstream politics.

Former CM B S Yediyurappa, former Council chairman Shankaramurthy and RDPR Minister KS Eshwarappa not only built the party in the district but also strengthened it across the state. Yediyurappa put farmers' interests on top of the BJP's agenda at a time when Hindutva was the focus elsewhere. Shankaramurthy was a Council member for 30 years and became its chairman for eight years.

Outspoken Eshwarappa has been promoting the Hindutva cause for long and has built the party.

Yediyurappa's elder son MP BY Raghavendra is a three-time MP and also a former MLA, while the younger son, BY Vijayendra, has already made an impression in the party and is BJP state vice-president.

Eshwarappa's son KE Kantesh, who is a ZP member, is an aspirant of MLC ticket this time, though Eshwarappa has made it clear he would not allow his son to be an MLA or MLC till he remains a minister. Even during the previous Assembly elections, there were reports that Kantesh would be given a ticket from the Ranebennur constituency, but the party changed its decision at the last minute.

Shankaramurthy's son Arun is the chairman of Karnataka Arya-Vysya Community Development Corporation.

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ASSET RECONSTRUCTION COMPANY (INDIA) LIMITED

The Ruby, 10th Floor, 29, Senapati Bapat Marg, Dadar West, Mumbai-400028, India.

POSSESSION NOTICE

Whereas, the undersigned is the Authorized Officer of **Asset Reconstruction Company (India) Limited,** acting in its capacity as Trustee of the "Arcil-CPS-008-II Trust" (hereinafter referred to as "**Arcil**"). Pursuant to Assignment Agreement executed on **March 28, 2018, South Indian Bank Ltd. (SIBL)** has respectively assigned to **Arcil,** in its capacity as Trustee of above mentioned trust, inter alia the financial assistance granted by them to **M/s. Coastal Projects Limited (in liquidation)** (hereinafter referred to as "Borrower") together with all underlying security interest and all their rights in respect thereof in terms of Section 5 of the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 (herein after referred to as "Securitisation Act, 2002"). SIBL (the assignor bank) issued demand notice u/s 13(2) of SARFAESI Act, 2002 on 17.08.2017 in exercise of powers conferred under section 13(12) read with Rule 9 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002, calling upon the Borrower **M/s. Coastal Projects Limited** and its **Guarantors** including namely **Mr. M. Gopal, Mr. S.Surendra, Mr. G.Hari Hara Rao & Mr. S.Ramesh** to repay the amount mentioned in the notice being **Rs.63,11,41,577.83 (Rupees Sixty Three Crores Eleven Lacs Forty One Thousand Five Hundred Seventy-Seven and Eighty Three Paise Only)** to Bank as on 16.08.2017 together with further interest thereon at contractual rates and other incidental expenses, within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice. The Borrower/Guarantors failed to comply with the terms of the said notice.

The Borrower/Guarantors having failed to repay said amount and having failed to comply with the notice dated 17.08.2017, notice is hereby given to the Borrower/Guarantors mentioned hereinabove in particular and to the public in general that pursuant to the orders passed including order dated 19.02.2020 passed by the Hon'ble Chief Judicial Magistrate, Bangalore, under the provisions of SARFAESI Act, 2002, one Dilip Kamble, Advocate, been appointed the commissioner vide the order, has **taken possession** of the property described herein below and handed it over to the undersigned, being the Authorized officer of **Arcil, on November 18, 2021.**

The Borrower/Guarantors in particular and the public in general are hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to inter alia the charge of Arcil for the said amount of **Rs.63,11,41,577.83/- (Rupees Sixty Three Crores Eleven Lacs Forty One Thousand Five Hundred Seventy Seven and Eighty Three Paise Only)** as on 16.08.2017 together with further interest and other amounts thereon at contractual rates and other incidental expenses from 17.08.2017 till date of repayment.

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Date: November 22, 2021 **Sd/- Authorised Officer**
Place: Bangalore **Asset Reconstruction Company (India) Limited**

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"APPENDIX- IV-A

[See proviso to Rule 8 (6)]

SALE NOTICE FOR SALE OF MOVABLE / IMMOVABLE PROPERTY

e-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Properties under Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 8(6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002.

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrowers/guarantor, that the below described immovable property mortgaged/charged to the Secured creditor, Symbolic possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of State Bank of India, Secured Creditor, will be sold on "As is where is", "As is what is" and "Whatever there is" basis on **10.12.2021** for recovery of **Rs.14,73,564/-** (Rupees Forteen lakhs seventy three thousand five hundred and sixty four only) as on 18.11.2021 + interest + expenses and costs, due to State Bank of India, Secured creditor from **Sri. S. Y. Doddaiah & Smt. Padma. L** (Borrower/s).

The reserve price, earnest money deposit and bid increment amount and last date for receipt of EMD will be as under:-

Reserve Price (Below which the properties will not be sold)	Earnest Money Deposit (EMD)	Bid increment amount	Last date for receipt of EMD
Rs.66,96,000/-	Rs.6,96,600/-	Rs.50,000/-	09.12.2021

DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY

SBI/ARMB/VRB/BFI/62456809748, 62456809840/2021-22/15

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(i) All that piece and parcel of immovable property bearing Municipal New No.29, Old No.34, its PID No.63-101-29 and comes under Bruhat Bangalore Mahanagara Palike, Ward No.63 Lakkasandra, Bangalore situated at 2nd Main Road, A.K. Colony, Suddagunte Playa, Bangalore – 560029 measuring East to West 40 feet and North to south 30 feet, totally measuring 1200 Sq.ft. with all right of easements appurtenances either latent attached to the schedule property held in the name of **Smt. Padma. L W/o Sri. S. Y. Doddaiah** and bounded on the: East by: Property belongs to Sri. M. Muniyappa, West by: Property belongs to Sri. M. Muniswamy, North by: Road, South by: Bovi Colony.

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Sd/- Authorised Officer
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ARMB, Bengaluru

Place: Bengaluru

RELIANCE HOME FINANCE LIMITED

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SALE CUM AUCTION NOTICE

The undersigned being the Authorized Officer (AO) of the **Reliance Home Finance Ltd. (RHF),** invites tenders/Quotations for purchase of the properties specified below of the below mentioned Borrowers, under the provisions of the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002, read with the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002, for recovery of secured debts as mentioned herein-below along with interest and costs, etc. of RHF. The Properties are proposed to be **sold on "As is Where is" and "As is Whatever there is basis" and on without recourse basis.**

S. No	Name & Address of the Borrowers / Co Borrowers / Guarantors	Outstanding due for Recovery of which property is being sold	Reserve Price (RP), Earnest Money Deposit (EMD), Date of Inspection.	Date, Time & Venue of Auction /opening quotations /bids
1	1) Siddaraju K **Having Residence At:**No 93 Benaka Layout Kempalinganahalli Village Nelamangala Bangalore Karnataka-562123 2. Anitha Siddappa **Having Address At :-** Kemwell Pvt Ltd , No 11 Tumkur Road Yeshwanthpur , Bangalore , Karnataka ZIP:560022	Rs.24,68,911/- (Rupees Twenty Four Lakh Sixty Eight Thousand Nine Hundred And Eleven) As On 17th November 2021.	**Reserve Price: Rs.28,08,000** (In Rupees - Twenty Eight Lakh Eight Thousand Only) **Earnest Money Deposit: Rs.2,80,800/- Inspection Date:** 27th December 2021 Between 11.00 A.M. To 5.00 P.M.	**29th December 2021 At 10.30 A.M. Reliance Home Finance Limited,** No.39, FFK Towers, 2nd floor, 30thcross Road, Tilak Nagar, Banneraghatta Road, Bangalore-560029
	Property / Security Interest Details:- All The Piece And Parcel Of The Residential Property Situated At Site No 93 Khata No 188/93 Benaka Layout Kempalinganahalli Village Nelamangala Bangalore Bangalore, Karnataka-562123			
2	1) Y S Kumara **Having Residence At:** 193 5th Cross,Gpr Layout,Huskur Electranic City ,Bangalore, Karnataka-560100 2. Bhagyashree J **Having Address At :-** Kumar/Srivenkatadre Prasanna , C 52 Apmc Market , Electranic City , Bangalore ,Karnataka ZIP:560100	Rs.31,48,477/- (Rupees Thirty One Lakh Forty Eight Thousand Four Hundred and Seventy Seven Only)	**Reserve Price: Rs.30,22,800/-** (In Rupees -Thirty Eight Lakh Twenty Two Thousand And Eight Hundred Only) **Earnest Money Deposit: Rs. 3,02,280/-** Inspection Date: 27th December 2021 Between 11.00 A.M. To 5.00 P.M.	**29th December 2021 At 11.30 A.M. Reliance Home Finance Limited,** No.39, FFK Towers, 2nd floor, 30thcross Road, Tilak Nagar, Banneraghatta Road, Bangalore-560029
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Note: The AO may at his/her discretion permit inter-se bidding amongst the top three bidders.
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Terms and Conditions:
The Interested parties may send/submit their quotation/bid in sealed covers superscripting on the envelope as **"Quotation for Purchase of Properties" - (Property address), along with Earnest Money Deposit (EMD) by way of Pay Order/DD, drawn in favour of "Reliance Home Finance Ltd..", payable at Bangalore.**
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3) The aforesaid Properties shall not be sold below the reserve price mentioned above.
4) Successful party shall deposit 25% of the quoted amount, which amount shall include the EMD deposited, immediately on the same day by way of Pay Order / DD drawn in favour of "Reliance Home Finance Ltd..", payable at Bangalore, and remaining 75% shall be deposited within 15 days of date of the confirmation of sale or within the extended period as allowed by the undersigned in writing. The AO may at his/her sole discretion extend in writing the time for making the payments. In case of failure to make the required payments by the stipulated dates, the EMD and all amounts paid till then, shall stand forfeited without any notice and the properties shall be resold.
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9) The sale is subject to confirmation by the RHF.
10) If the Borrower pays the amount due to the RHF in full before the date of auction/confirmation of sale, the auction/sale is liable to be stopped.
11) To the best of knowledge and information of the AO, no other encumbrance exists on the above mentioned properties.
12) The bid is not transferable.
13) This publication is also a notice of 30 days to the Borrowers and Co-borrowers of the intention of holding of sale on above mentioned date if the dues are not repaid in full. If the borrower has any such proposal of selling of the properties to any person by private sale or by getting quotation, the same may be communicated to the undersigned within 7 days.

STATUTORY 30 DAYS SALE NOTICE UNDER SARFAESI ACT, 2002

The Borrowers and co-borrowers are hereby noticed to pay the total outstanding dues before the date of opening of bid failing which the secured assets will be auctioned and balance, if any, will be recovered with interest, cost and charges thereon from you.

Place: BANGALORE **[Authorised Officer]**
Date: 19.11.2021 **Name : Ramesh Ramu**
Reliance Home Finance Ltd.

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Repco Home Finance
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TENDER - CUM - AUCTION SALE NOTICE

Sale of Immovable Properties Mortgaged to Repco Home Finance Ltd. Under Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets And Enforcement of Security Interest Act 2002

Whereas **Borrower: Mr. N. Raghavendra Prasad,** S/o, Narasimha, **Co-Borrower: Mrs. Suvarna,** W/o, Narasimha, have borrowed money from Repco Home Finance Limited, **Bangalore** Branch **(now the account is transferred to ARB Bangalore)** against the mortgage of the immovable property more fully described in the schedule hereunder, the company has issued a **Demand Notice** under Section 13(2) of the SARFAESI Act, 2002 on **19-01-2018** calling upon them to repay the amount mentioned in the notice being vide **Loan Account No. 2581870000273** being **Rs.63,29,685/-** on **18-01-2018** together with further interest, costs and expenses within 60 days from the date of the said notice.

Whereas the borrower & co-borrowers having failed to pay the amount due to the Company as called for in the said demand notice, the Company has taken possession of the secured asset more fully described in the schedule hereunder on **04-06-2018** under Section 13 (4) of the Act.**(Vacant Flat,Possession with RHFL)**

Whereas the borrowers having failed to pay the dues in full, the secured creditor, Repco Home Finance Limited has decided to sell the under mentioned secured asset in **"As is where is condition"** and **"As is what is condition"** under Section 13(4) of the Act read with Rules 8 & 9 of the Security interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002 for realization of the debts dues to the company. The dues of the borrower being vide **Loan Account No. 2581870000273** being **Rs. 1,12,10,985/-** as on **15-11-2021.**

DETAILS OF SALE

Date and Time of E- Auction	17-12-2021, 11.00 A.M – 12.00 P.M. (with unlimited auto extension of 5 minutes)
EMD (10% of Reserve Price)	**Rs.7,87,400/-**(Rupees Seven Lakhs Eighty Seven Thousand and Four Hundred Only)
Reserve Price	**Rs.78,74,000/-** (Rupees Seventy Eight Lakhs and Seventy Four Thousand Only)
Last Date & time for submitting E-Tenders	**16-12-2021,** 04.00 P.M.
Minimum Bid Increment Amount	**Rs.25,000/-**

Description of Property:

Schedule - A:
All that piece and parcel of residentially converted vacant land bearing Sy.No. 1/2, converted for residential purpose vide official memorandum bearing reference No.B.Dis.ALN(E)RS(kh) 135/09-10 Dated 19-3-2010, issued by the special deputy commissioner, Bangalore Dist, Bangalore and the property bearing BBMP Katha No.07, ward no. 25, situated at Geddalahalli village, K.R. Puram Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk, now falls within the limits of BBMP, Bangalore, measuring 0-12 Guntas of land, totally measuring 13068 Sq.ft., and bounded on the:
East by: Property belongs to St. Michael's high school.
West by: Property belongs to Mr. Sowrappa
North by: Road & remaining portion of land in Sy.No. 1/2
South by: Property belongs to MR.P.C. Thampi
Schedule – B:
1494.87 Sq.ft., undivided share, right, title and interest on the land comprised in the schedule-A property, together with the apartment bearing Flat No. 401, in the fourth floor, having super built up area of 3600 Sq.ft., along with one covered car parking space in the basement floor of the residential apartment building known as "Adonai Palms". Constructed on the schedule – A property with right to pass through all the common passages leading to road and free for egress and ingress. At all the times and entitled for all the common areas and amenities.

Terms and Conditions

The intending bidders of the property should send their bids in the prescribed tender form in a closed cover along with EMD of 10% of the reserve price by means of RTGS / NEFT / DD / Banker's Cheque drawn in favour of **"Repco Home Finance Limited"** payable at **Bengaluru** or on the website www.bankeauctions.com. Tender form not in the prescribed format will not be accepted.

For inspection of the property the intending bidders may contact the Branch Head,Repco Home Finance Limited, **Bengaluru** Branch, on all working days between 10A.M to 5 P.M. **Contact No. (080)41233109 & 98868-78838.**

Place: **Bengaluru** Authorised officer
Date : **15-11-2021** **Repco Home Finance Limited**

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FEDBANK FINANCIAL SERVICES LTD. AUCTION NOTICE

This is to inform the public at large, that FEDBANK FINANCIAL SERVICES LTD., has decided to conduct Auction of Gold ornaments belonging to accounts (mentioned below) which have become overdue or which have defaults or margin breach customers. The Auction would be held at respective Branches specified below on **Friday 03-12-2021 between 10.00 a.m. to 12.00 p.m.** This would continue till the auction process is over.

Anekal 080-27830505 **FEDGL00880**001333, 001495, 001508, 001525, 001803, 001801, 001814, 001817, 001740, 001875, 001950 **Arakalgud** 08175-220780 **FEDGL00360**004228, 004290, 004304, 004306, 004326, 004323, 004356, 004361, 004362, 004380, 004386, 004394, 004415, 004416, 004417, 004429, 004435, 004452, 004446, 004455, 004454, 004456, 004470, 004473, 004480, 004479, 004489, 004494, 004641, 004713, 005389, 005483, 005541 **B H Road** 8162277793 **FEDGL01030**002809, 003162, 003209, 003564, 003837, 003854, 003880, 003975, 005052 **BASAVESHWARA NAGAR** 8041900282 **FEDGL00110**005608, 006181, 006268, 006293, 006296, 006313, 006310, 006848, 006875, 006905, 006944, 007756, 007839 **BELGAUM** 0831-4201487 **FEDGL01360**001120, 001326, 001582, 001708, 001745, 001771, 001773, 001782, 001792, 001796 **BELUR** 8177222100 **FEDGL01590**004724, 004793, 004832, 004847, 004865, 004868, 004883, 004890, 004917, 004908, 004932, 004936, 004942, 004957, 004962, 004970, 005689, 005712 **BOMMANAHALLI** 8041500417 **FEDGL00140**004593, 004594, 004595, 004669, 004991 **BTM LAYOUT** 080-41312231 **FEDGL00030**003401, 003408, 003428, 003455, 004253 **BYADGI** 8375229022 **FEDGL00510**002953, 002963, 003125, 003123, 003130, 003141, 003170, 003179, 003189, 003203, 003215, 003226, 003232, 003261, 003264, 003865, 005242, 003413, 003642, 003662, 004127 **Caltex Circle** 8162277972 **FEDGL01020**003321, 003335, 003350, 003374, 003433, 003439, 004027, 004037, 004106, 004166, 004439 **Car Street Bellary** 8392276005 **FEDGL00920**001220, 001232, 001476, 001497, 001503, 001891 **CHANNAPATNA** 8027256046 **FEDGL01760**008108, 009267, 009333, 009345, 009349, 009432, 009457, 009530, 009538, 009534, 009537, 010461, 010491, 010500, 010536, 010550, 010553, 010622, 010638, 010631, 010630, 010627, 012748, 012769, 010876, 011260 **CHENRAYAPATNA** 8176252477 **FEDGL01580**011112, 011152, 011164, 011177, 011179, 011238, 011276, 011266, 011265, 011293, 011325, 012169, 012201 **CHIKKAMAGALUR** 8262228286 **FEDGL00210**004010, 004009, 004041, 004052, 004056, 004069, 004455, 004457, 004589 **DAVANGERE** 0819-2252111 **FEDGL02290**004647 004713, 004723, 004759, 004770, 004782, 006277, 005379, 005616 **Dharwad** 0836-2970229 **FEDGL02330**002887, 002909, 003265, 003305, 003306, 003074 **Gadag** 9538774178 **FEDGL04200**000043 **Gangavathi** 8533234018 **FEDGL00940**001912, 001989, 002020, 002038, 002065, 002070, 002090 **Gubbi** 8131222850 **FEDGL00460**003703, 003715, 003730, 003742, 003734, 003733, 003770, 003828, 003833, 003837, 003891, 003906, 003909, 003914, 004551, 004642, 004691, 004727, 004736, 005006, 005394, 005902 **H D Kote** 08228-297033 **FEDGL00580**003682, 003698, 003730, 003775, 003788, 004305, 004378, 005297, 004561, 004584 **Hagaribommanhalli** 08397-239003 **FEDGL01000**002497 , 002548, 002593, 002608, 002613, 003125, 003145, 003160, 003211, 003223, 003243, 003166, 003457 **HANSUR** 8222250114 **FEDGL01620**008863, 009272, 009310, 009332, 009373, 009374, 009393, 009405, 009432, 009451, 009461, 009474, 009486, 010199, 010260, 010337, 010352, 010350, 010506, 010553 **Harappanahalli** 8398281429 **FEDGL01040**002239 , 002879, 002898, 003077, 003116 **HARIHAR** 08192-242865 **FEDGL00220**007666, 007727, 007730, 007719, 007771, 007794, 007804, 007841, 007860, 008477, 008519, 008525, 008533, 008532, 009625, 008223 **HASSAN MARKET** 8172235324 **FEDGL01570**005996, 006003, 006001, 006030, 006048, 006053, 006103, 006688, 006226 **HAVERI** 8375232810 **FEDGL01810**006218, 006262, 006769, 006776, 006810, 006809, 006813, 006822, 006823, 006828, 006843, 006845, 006852, 006857, 006865, 006860, 006861, 006890, 006894, 006900, 006896, 006902, 007049, 007146 **HENNUR** 080-41979377 **FEDGL00150**002656, 002857, 002861, 002885, 003164, 002921 **Holenarsipura** 08175-273733 **FEDGL00590**008527, 008559, 008562, 008592, 008626, 008641, 008653, 008699, 008705, 008716, 008770, 009971, 009015, 009330, 009763, 009974 **HOSA ROAD** 80257444811 **FEDGL00020**006777, 006800, 006875, 006889, 006890, 006897, 006896, 007457, 007462, 007500, 007549, 007550, 008578 **Hospet** 08394-226899 **FEDGL00990**002278, 002291, 002302, 002305, 002312, 002321, 002323, 002339, 002361, 002369, 002380, 002391, 002389, 002396, 002422, 002856, 002872, 002975, 002722, 002930, 003117, 003133 **JEEVAN BHEEMA NAGAR** 8041900283 **FEDGL00190**001918, 001917, 002126 **K R NAGAR** 8223262045 **FEDGL01610**005960, 005979, 005994, 006001, 006032, 006038, 006043, 006052, 006574, 006583, 006589, 006594, 006618, 006658, 006673, 006689, 006706, 007541, 006785, 006943, 006945 **K R Pete** 08230-262886 **FEDGL00630**002826, 002927, 002958, 002973, 002997, 003011, 003012, 003009, 003044, 004107, 003692 **K R PURAM** 8025610669 **FEDGL00120**007639, 007638, 007641, 007745, 007752, 007748, 007760, 008397, 008403, 008544, 008552 **K R ROAD** 08192272223 **FEDGL00370**002068, 002116, 002450, 002470, 002486, 002503, 003131, 003158 **KAMMANAHALLI** 8040926572 **FEDGL00050**002116, 002163, 002162, 002222, 002229, 002256, 002271, 002429 **Kampli** 08394-250822 **FEDGL00950**002409, 002448, 002476, 002487, 002486, 002490, 002507, 002512, 002521, 002511, 002514, 002539, 003281 **Kappogal Road Bellary** 08392-255005 **FEDGL00930**000991, 001074, 001078, 001080, 001086, 001096, 001110, 001131, 001133, 001367, 001374, 001388, 001398, 001401, 001410, 001409 **KOPIKAR ROAD** 8362362444 **FEDGL01550**003754, 003774, 003841, 004235, 003942 **Kunigal** 08162-220155 **FEDGL01210**002285, 002729, 002856, 003674, 002949 **Malavalli** 08231-244588 **FEDGL03650**000051, 000060, 000348, 000365, 000372, 000386, 000393, 000595 **Malebennur** 08192-299566 **FEDGL00620**004242, 004238, 004243, 004251, 004253, 004268, 004255, 004278, 004273, 004277, 004275, 004283, 004285, 004297, 004300, 004323, 004328, 004324, 004338, 004347, 004386, 004382, 004373, 004385, 004394, 004408, 004416, 004944, 006414, 004559, 004773, 005272 **MANDIMOHALLA** 8214264270 **FEDGL01740**004589, 005119 **MANDYA** 8232239585 **FEDGL01630**005189, 005223, 005262 **Mundargi** 08371-295011 **FEDGL00640**002205, 002204, 002223, 002246, 002263, 002303, 002304, 002299, 002317, 002324, 002805, 002952, 003008, 003003 **Nagarbhavi** 08023356022 **FEDGL00310**002231, 002254, 002284, 002283, 002549, 002560, 002613, 003114, 002684 **NANJANGODE** 8221223326 **FEDGL01600**006813, 007025, 007099, 007125, 007169, 007190, 007779, 007802, 007825, 007839 **Pavagada** 08136-295608 **FEDGL03770**000323, 000342, 000356, 000357, 000358, 000400, 000416, 000422 **Periapatna** 08223-297589 **FEDGL00440**002727, 002753, 002789, 002792, 002784, 002800, 002810, 002813, 002834, 003269, 003037, 003040, 003507 **RAJAJI NAGAR** 8041902910 **FEDGL00040**002186, 002187, 002205, 002208, 002405, 002423, 002431, 002440 **Ramamurthy Nagar** 08041225616 **FEDGL00350**000887, 000899 **RAMANAGARA** 8027275627 **FEDGL01800**009477, 010020, 010683, 010713, 010725, 010735, 010759, 010778, 010793, 010796, 010802, 010830, 010831, 010882, 010898, 010894, 010929, 012030, 012097, 012135, 014167, 011299, 011336, 012560 **RAMASWAMY CIRCLE** 8214253754 **FEDGL01730**004185, 004213, 004259, 004319, 004653, 004659, 004661, 004674 **RANEBENNUR** 08373-297397 **FEDGL02320**004870, 004936, 004996, 005016, 005410, 005498, 005516, 005685, 005698 **SHIMOGA** 8123115765 **FEDGL01830**006127, 006163, 006166, 006185, 006178, 006180, 006177, 006182, 006175, 006179, 006665, 006690, 006694, 006729, 007470, 006522, 006655, 006659, 006771 **Sira** 08135-295620 **FEDGL03760**000238, 000268, 000265, 000284, 000283, 000310, 000318, 000346, 000348 **SIRSI** 08384-223365 **FEDGL01930**003929, 003943, 003950, 003953, 003970, 003967, 003987, 003985, 003990, 004293, 004296, 004292, 004307, 004345, 004448 **Srinivasa Nagar** 080-26693369 **FEDGL00890**001185, 001332, 001345 **SULTHANPLYA** 8041636281 **FEDGL00130**002933, 003200 **Tiptur** 8134252402 **FEDGL00470**003799, 003802, 004343, 004336 **Turuvekere** 08139-295735 FEDGL03860000105, 000119, 000122, 000126 **Yeshwantpur** 08041225684 **FEDGL00340**001853, 001866, 001879, 001878,

Change in Venue or Date, if any will be displayed on our Website www.fedfina.com. All bidders participating will be intimated subsequently with respect to acceptance or rejection of bids submitted by them. Customer who want to release their ornaments shall visit at the base branch wherein the ornaments were pledged by the customer or contact at the number mentioned above on/or before 02-12-2021 subject to the terms and condition applicable.

Auction will be conducted at respective branches, in case the auction does not get completed on the given date due to any reasons, the auction in respect thereto shall be conducted on subsequent working days after displaying the details on our Website. No further communication shall be issued in this regard.

Dated: 22-11-2021 **For, sdl- Authorised Signatory**
Place : Bangalore **Fedbank Financial Services Ltd.,**

KARNATAKA STATE FINANCIAL CORPORATION

(Established under the State Financial Corporations Act, 1951)
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SALE OF ASSETS THROUGH e-AUCTION

Notice is hereby given to the effect that the Immovable Properties described herein which have been taken possession under the provisions of Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interests (SARFAESI) Act, 2002 and in exercise of the powers conferred under Section 13(4) read with Rule No.8(6) of Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 will be sold through e-auction on **'as is where is and whatever there is basis'** for recovery of loan dues mentioned in each case. Interested persons for the purchase of the following assets may participate in the bid through e-auction. **Name of the Secured Creditor: Karnataka State Financial Corporation.**

Property Details

1. Residential House : Sy.No.47/2, Plot No.51, TP Assessment No.4221, Krishnagiri Colony, Kushtagi, Koppal Dist. Plot measuring 1200 sft. and residential house thereon standing in the name of Sri Lingayya S/o Sanjeevappa Julagudda. Bounded on: East by - Plot No.50, West by - Plot No.84, North by - Road, South by - Plot No.47. Name of the Borrower: Vaishnavi Granities [Prop:Sri Lingayya S/o Sanjeevappa Julagudda]; **Reserve Price: Rs.19,48,000/-; EMD: Rs.1,95,000/-. Loan dues Rs.1,21,22,513.13 as on 10-09-2021. E-auction No. KSFC/2021-22/2515**

2. Residential House : Plot No.43, MB No 4-13-143/4-12-142, Ward No.7, Murari Nagar, Gundamma Camp, Gangavathi. Site measuring 600 sqft. and the residential house thereon standing in the name Smt. Krishnaveni bounded on: East by - Private Property, West by - Private Property, North by - Road, South by - Private Property. Name of the Borrower: N Pandian Sweets, **Reserve Price: Rs.3,99,000/- ; EMD : Rs.40,000/-. Loan dues Rs.26,71,265.78 as on 10-03-2020. E-auction No. KSFC/2021-22/2516**

3. Residential House : MB No 4-13-140/4-13-139, Ward No.7, Murari Nagar, Gundamma Camp, Gangavathi. Site measuring 600 sqft. and the residential house thereon standing in the name of Smt. Indrani, bounded on: East by – Private Property, West by – Private Property, North by – Road, South by – Plot No.26 & 27. Name of the Borrower: N Pandian Sweets. **Reserve Price: Rs.5,93,000/-; EMD: Rs.59,300/- Loan dues Rs.26,71,265.78 as on 10-03-2020. E-auction No. KSFC/2021-22/2517**

4. Residential House: Site measuring 30'x40' & the residential building thereon at MB No.4-3-128/4-3-125, Ward No.7, Murahari Nagar, Gundamma Camp, Gangavathi standing in the name of N Pandian Sweets, bounded on : East by – Private Property, West by - Private Property, North by - Private Property & South by – Road. Name of the Borrower: N Pandian Sweets, **Reserve Price: Rs.15,17,000/-; EMD: Rs.1,52,000/-. Loan dues Rs.26,71,265.78 as on 10-03-2020. E-auction No. KSFC/2021-22/2518**

5. Industrial Land & Building: 8 Nos. industrial Plots bearing Nos. 4441/15, 16, 17, 18 & 4442/15, 16, 17, 18 (totally measuring 12,200 sft) and factory buildings thereon in respect of Saka Granites, Raghavendra Granites, Nagarjuna Granites, Alampurpet Ward No.7, Ilkal Taluk, Bagalakote District, standing in the name of Sri Yamanurappa Saka, bounded on East by – Road, West by – Road, North by – Road, South by - Open area. Name of the Borrower: NYS Granites Impex Pvt. Ltd, **Reserve Price: Rs.71,09,000/-; EMD: Rs.7,11,000/-. Loan dues Rs.19,12,08,015.86 as on 10-09-2021. E-auction No. KSFC/2021-22/2519**

6. Industrial Land & Building: 8 Nos. of industrial plots bearing Plot Nos. 4235/B/24 to B31 (totally measuring 12025 sft) and factory buildings thereon standing in the names of Sri Srikanth Ayili, Sri Vishwanath Ayili & Sri Mohan Ayili situated at Ward No. 5, Near Mahant Gaddige Road, New Kotwal Peth, Ilkal, Bagalakote District, bounded on East by- Property of Bilekudri, West by- Road, North by- Road, South by- Road. Name of the Borrower: NYS Granites Impex Pvt. Ltd. **Reserve Price: Rs.39,73,000/-; EMD: Rs.3,98,000/-. Loan dues Rs.19,12,08,015.86 as on 10-09-2021. E-auction No. KSFC/2021-22/2520**

7. Industrial Vacant Land: Industrial plots situated at Ward No. 5, Near Mahant Gaddige Road, New Kotwal Peth, Ilkal, Bagalakote District- 3 Nos. of Industrial plots bearing Plot Nos. 4235/B/1, 4235/B/2, 4235/B/3, (totally measuring 5257.39 SqM) bounded on the East by - Property of Bilekudri, West by - Road, North by - Road, South by - Open Land and 6 Nos. of industrial plots bearing Plot Nos. 4235/B/14, 4235/B/15, 4235/B/16, 4235/B/17, 4235/B/18, 4235/B/19, (together measuring 1053.53 SqM)- boundary for site No.4235/B/14, 4235/B/15 and 4235/B/16: East by – Road, West by – Property of Ayili, North by – Plot No.13, South by – Open land; boundary for site No.4235/B/17, 4235/B/18 and 4235/B/19: East by – Nala, West by – Road, North by – Road, South by – Open land. Name of the Borrower: NYS Granites Impex Pvt. Ltd. **Reserve Price: Rs.1,31,48,000/-; EMD: Rs.13,14,800/-. Loan dues Rs.19,12,08,015.86 as on 10-09-2021. E-auction No. KSFC/2021-22/2521**

8. Industrial Land & Building: Plot Nos. 4235/B/4 to B12 (totally 9 plots measuring 1004.83 Sqm), & Plot Nos. 4235/B/20 to B23 (totally 4 plots measuring 534.69 Sqm) Ward No. 5, Near Mahant Gaddige Road, New Kotwal Peth, Ilakal, Bagalakote District. boundary for site No. 4235/B/4 to B12, East by – Road, West by – Land of Srikanth Ayili, North by – Road, South by – Plot No.13 and boundary for site No. 4235/B/20 to B23, East by – Property of Bilekudri, West by – Road, North by – Road, South by – Plot No.13. Name of the Borrower: NYS Granites Impex Pvt. Ltd. **Reserve Price: Rs.61,48,000/-; EMD: Rs.6,15,000/- Loan dues Rs.19,12,08,015.86 as on 10-09-2021. E-auction No. KSFC/2021-22/2523**

Terms & Conditions : [1] The e-auction will be through web site https://eproc.karnataka.gov.in [2] Bid opening date and time: **27/12/2021 at 11:00 AM.** [3] Last date and time for payment of EMD & expression of interest to participate in e-auction is **06/01/2022 at 2:00PM.** [4] Bid closing date **06/01/2022 and time at 4:00 p.m.** [5] Inspection Date & Time: from **27/12/2021 to 05/01/2022 from 11:00 AM to 4:00 PM** (on all working days with prior appointment). (6) The successful bidders have to bear dues / taxes / arrears etc., if any on the property. The full details of the above properties and other terms & conditions of sale through e-Auction are detailed in the website viz. **https://eproc.karnataka.gov.in.**

STATUTORY 30 DAYS SALE NOTICE UNDER SARFAESI ACT: This is also a 30 days notice required to be issued to the mortgagors/ borrowers/personal guarantors under the provisions of SARFAESI Act, 2002. They are hereby informed to pay the sum mentioned above along with up-to-date interest and other charges, if any within 30 days from the date of publication of this notice either to redeem the property by paying the entire amount of due or to find intended purchasers with ready amount for any value more than the reserve price fixed as above failing which the corporation will sell the above said properties as per the provisions laid down in SARFAESI Act, 2002.

Place : Koppal **Sd/-**
Date: 20-11-2021 **AUTHORISED OFFICER**

PUBLIC NOTICE

The General Public are hereby notified that, on 11.11.2021, my client Smt. T. Manjula W/o Sri. S.N. Umesh has negotiated and entered into a Registered Agreement for purchase of 2 items of landed properties situated in Sy. Nos.85/5 and 86/2 of Kerekatthiganooru Village which are more fully described in the Schedule given herein below with, (1) Sri. A.N. Krishnappa, S/o Late Narayanappa, (2) Smt. Veena R, W/o Sri. A.N. Krishnappa, (3) Kum. Vidya Lakshmi and (4) Kum. Nidhi Krishna Nos.3 & 4 are daughters of Sri. A.N. Krishnappa, (since they are minors, represented by their father and natural guardian Sri. A.N. Krishnappa), all residents of Aladahalli Village, Billanakote Post, Sompura Hobli, Nelamangala Taluk, Bangalore Rural District.

If any other person/s, any Banking Institution/s, financier/s and etc., were to have any claim of what-so-ever over the Schedule Properties or were to have, any objection for the proposed sale transaction, he/she/they may lodge his/her/their claims/objections with documentary proof with the undersigned within 15 days from the date of publication of this notice. If no claim/objections is received by the under signed within the prescribed time, it will be presumed that, none have any claim or objections of what-so-ever over the Schedule Properties for my client to purchase the same from the above said persons and, thereby my client will proceed and complete the sale transaction.

SCHEDULE PROPERTIES

ITEM No.1: All that piece and parcel of the landed property bearing Survey No.85/5 of Kerekatthiganooru Village, Sompura Hobli, Nelamangala Taluk, Bangalore Rural District, measuring 2 Acres 20 Guntas and 0.04 Guntas Kharab Land together with all rights, appurtenances, privileges thereto and, bounded on, East by: Lands of Manjunath in Sy. No.85/4; West by: Land of Bhagyamma in Sy. No.85/3 and Land bearing Sy.No.86/2; North by: Lands of Sri.K.Babu in Sy. Nos.112 & 113; and, South by: Land of Vendor Krishnappa in Sy.No. 92/1.

ITEM No.2: All that piece and parcel of the landed property bearing Survey No.86/2 of Kerekatthiganooru Village, Sompura Hobli, Nelamangala Taluk, Bangalore Rural District, measuring 34 Guntas together with all rights, appurtenances, privileges, thereto and bounded on East by: lands of Vendor Krishnappa in Sy. No.85/5 and 92/1; West by: Road leading to Kerekatthiganooru and Shivaganga Road; North by: Lands of Ramaiah; and, South by: Lands of Mahimanna and Siddappa in Sy. Nos.87 & 88.

Sd/- **R.Gunashekar,** Advocate
No.38, II floor, 25th Cross,
Cubbonpet Main Road, Bangalore-2.
Dated:- 20.11.2021

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PUBLIC NOTICE-AUCTION CUM SALE OF PROPERTIES

Sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002

E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 8 (6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002. Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrowers and Guarantors that the below described immovable properties mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, the possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of **Asset Reconstruction Company India Ltd. (Arcil)** an Asset Reconstruction Company registered with Reserve Bank of India under the provisions of the SARFAESI Act, 2002. **Arcil** has acquired from the banks / financial institutions mentioned below the financial assets and has acquired the rights of the Secured Creditor. The assets will be sold on on **"As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is" basis** as per the brief particulars given hereunder as per below mentioned schedule:

Sr. No.	Loan Account Number / Name of Bank	Name of Original Borrower/ Co-Borrower/ Guarantor	Trust Name	Type/ Size in/ Nature of Property	Total dues Outstanding in INR	Earnest Money Deposit (EMD) in INR	Reserve Price in INR	Date of Inspection	Date and Time of Auction	Type of Possession
1	30399325771 / SBI	Kanakaraj	Arcil Retail Loan Portfolio 036- A Trust	Flat / 1115 Sq.ft & [Freehold]	86,92,159.94 as on 18/11/2021	1,10,000/-	11,00,000/-	08/12/2021	24/12/2021 12:00 Noon	Symbolic
	Property Description/Schedule:- Flat No.1, Ground Floor, **"GTL Mansion"** formed in Site No.2, Old Sy.No.72, New No.151/1, Pai Layout, Nagavarapalya Village, Benniganahalli Dhakale, K.R.Puram Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk.									
2	30342152407 / SBI	Shyamala Kanakaraj	Arcil Retail Loan Portfolio 036- A Trust	Flat / 1115 Sq.ft & [Freehold]	93,69,163.21 as on 18/11/2021	1,10,000/-	11,00,000/-	08/12/2021	24/12/2021 12:30 PM	Symbolic
	Property Description/Schedule:- Flat No.2, Ground Floor, **"GTL Mansion"** formed in Site No.2, Old Sy.No.72, New No.151/1, Pai Layout, Nagavarapalya Village, Benniganahalli Dhakale, K.R.Puram Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk.									

Important Information regarding Auction Process

1	Auction Date	As prescribed herein above	5	Last date for Submission of EMD	One day before Auction
2	Place for Submission of Bids and Place of Auction	Unit No.305, 3rd Floor, Kedia Arcade, #92, Infantry Road, Bangalore-560001.	6	All payments including EMD to be made by way of Demand Draft payable at	BANGALORE
	Bids can be submitted online / in person depending upon the Covid situation in Branch locality: kamal.mishra@arcil.co.in, satheesh.r@arcil.co.in, shivshankar.ub@arcil.co.in		7	Name in whose favour Demand Drafts to be drawn	The name as shown in Trust Column against each property.
3	Web-Site For Auction	www.arcil.co.in	8	Time of Inspection	Between 11.00 am to 4.00 pm Note: Date & time of inspection may be changed in view of Covid-19 situation.
4	Contact Persons with Phone Number	Kamal Mishra / Satheesh / Shivashankar UB 9819820760 / 9738141146 / 8073722285			

* A bidder may, on his own choice, avail the facility of online participation in the auction by making application in prescribed format which is available along with the offer/tender document on the website address mentioned herein above. Online bidding will take place at website of organization as mentioned herein above, and shall be subject to the terms and conditions contained in the tender document. The Tender Document and detailed Terms & Conditions for the Auction may be downloaded from our website **www.arcil.co.in** or the same may also be collected from the concerned Branch office of Arcil as stated above. Please note that sale shall be subject to the terms and conditions as stated in the Bid Document. Sale is strictly subject to terms and conditions incorporated in this advertisement and the prescribed Bid/Tender Document. The Authorized Officer reserves the right to reject any/all bids without assigning any reason. This notice is also to be treated as a 30 days notice under Rule 8 & 9 of the Security Interest Enforcement Rules, 2002.

Date: 22.11.2021 **Sd/- Authorized Officer,**
Place: Bangalore **Asset Reconstruction Company (India) Limited**

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A 49-year-old teacher in a private school at Cheenapuram in Erode was arrested for allegedly misbehaving with students. Based on the complaint from the District Child Protection Unit, cops arrested the teacher under sections 9(f)(l) read with 10 and 11(1) read with 12 of the POCSO Act

Halal food row: Hoteliers seek Pinarayi's intervention

M S VIDYANANDAN & AISHWARYA PRABHAKARAN
@T'Puram/Kochi

WITH the "smear campaign" on halal food adversely affecting thousands of small restaurants and eateries across the state, hoteliers have approached Kerala Chief Minister Pinarayi Vijayan seeking his intervention in the issue.

The Kerala Hotel and Restaurant Association (KHRA), which lodged a complaint with the chief minister on Sunday, wants legal action under cyber laws taken against those spreading false propaganda against hotels and restaurants. The 'spit food' and 'spit-free food' propaganda, widely shared on social media, has turned into a serious issue because of its communal overtones.

"We received a response from the CMO's office stating that the complaint has been noted and forwarded to the state police chief for taking appropriate action," KHRA general secretary G Jayapal.

According to hoteliers, the smear campaign and boycott call against restaurants run by Muslims in the state have come as a double whammy for them in the time of the pandemic. They allege that the cyber campaign over 'manthrichoothal' – a ritualistic blowing into the food to bless it -- has caused a great deal of damage to the business of Muslim hoteliers, especially those running small eateries.

While this practice is limited to the religious gatherings of certain sub-sections, those behind the campaign allege that it is a norm for all Muslims while preparing food. "A little common sense would help you debunk this myth. Most of the eateries run by Muslims employ people of different religions. If such a practice existed, it would have come to public notice much earlier. Also, have you seen such a practice in the food preparation at Muslim households? This is a vile propaganda," said KHRA president Moideen Kutty Haji.

Haji said owners of small eateries are bearing the brunt of the campaign while major businesses are relatively unaffected. "I hope the campaign will eventually fail among the educated people in Kerala society," he said.

DANGER AHEAD

New weather system threatens TN, more rain likely

Heavy rain likely in several interior and Delta districts; Untimely showers damage crops, infra in south Karnataka, southern Andhra

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@Chennai

A new weather system is heading towards Tamil Nadu, and is set to bring the coastal districts, including Chennai, heavy rains from Wednesday.

The India Meteorological Department (IMD) on Sunday said a cyclonic circulation is over the South Andaman Sea and its neighbourhood at a lower tropospheric level, and is likely to move west-northwestwards towards Tamil Nadu in the next four or five days.

The regional meteorological centre here has forecast heavy to very heavy rains over coastal Tamil Nadu, Puducherry and Karaikal on Wednesday and Thursday.

On Monday, heavy rain is likely in Coimbatore, Krishnagiri, Erode, Pudukottai, Ariyalur, Perambalur, Cuddalore, Karur, Tiruchy, and the delta districts.

In the 24 hours ending 8.30 am on Sunday, Puducherry received 10 cm of rainfall. A three-member team from the Union government arrived in Chennai on Sunday, and will tour the rain-affected districts of Kanniyakumari, Vellore, and Ranipet on Monday and Tuesday. The team - comprising RB Kaul, consultant, Ministry of Finance, R Thangamani, director, Ministry of Water Resources, CWC, and Bhavya Pandey, assistant director, Ministry of Power - will assess the damage due to the rains, and hold discussions with State officials on the relief requirements. The team was on Sunday shown a presentation on the damage due to the floods, and later visited Ripon Building, where a photo exhibition on the impact of the rains in Chennai was set up.

A girl with a baby wades through flooded Sadayankuppam Irular Colony at Manali in Chennai on Sunday | EXPRESS

BOMMAI TOURS CH'BALLAPURA, SPEAKS TO FARMERS, PUBLIC

V VELAYUDHAM @ Chikkaballapur:

CHIEF Minister Basavaraj Bommai, Health Minister K Sudhakar and Revenue Minister R Ashoka inspected various parts of Chikkaballapur for first-hand information about rain havoc. Bommai spoke to farmers and the public, and assured them that all issues would be taken up.

Following heavy crop loss and damage to houses in Chikkaballapur district, Bommai visited Kandavara Lake. Sudhakar explained that following heavy rain, the lake had overflowed, and resulted in waterlogging on the Bengaluru-Ballari Road. Water had also flowed into houses.

The minister appealed for allotment of sufficient funds to build a rajukaluve between Kandavara Lake and Amani Gopalakrishna Lake, and Bommai instructed officials to submit a detailed project report.

The chief minister, who visited Sidlaghatta Anemadugu lake, said farmers had shown him damaged crops and demanded compensation, for which the chief minister instructed agriculture and horticulture deputy directors to submit a report over loss of crops.

Chikkaballapur Deputy Commissioner R Latha brought to the notice of the deputy commissioner that 24 houses were damaged fully and 1,078 houses were damaged partially, and also brought crop loss and problems faced by farmers and public, and measures taken by the administration during heavy rain.

Bommai also said that Rs 5 lakh compensation will be granted to people whose houses were completely damaged, and Rs 10,000 for houses damaged by water-logging.

CM Basavaraj Bommai inspects flood affected areas. Health Minister Dr K Sudhakar, Revenue Minister R Ashoka, DC R Latha and others look on | EXPRESS

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Many parts of Nellore still under water

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RESIDENTS of Nellore city and its suburbs, particularly a few villages in Atmakur and Nellore revenue divisons along the river Penna, are in a complete distress as the deluge hasn't receded yet; but continued to inundate several low-lying areas, flooding thousands of houses and damaging properties. Flooding from the upperstream to Somasila project has reduced on Saturday. The project has been receiving 1,56,968 cusecs of water from upperstream and officials have been releasing 1,43,940 cusecs to downstream. One student died in flooding in the Polytechnic College premises at Venkateswarapuram close to Nellore city. Gopi, 16 hailed from Bodegadithota in Nellore city studying second year Mechanical in Polytechnic college located in Venkateswarapuram close to Nellore city. He has visited the college on Saturday morning and got stuck up in flooding in the premises of college. The Polytechnic College which was very close to river Penna was inundated with flood water. Ground floor of the building was completed filled with flood.

Two students including Gopi got stuck in the premises. However, another student was bailed out from the college. Unfortunately, Gopi has stucked up in the flooding and died in the morning itself. Deadbody of the student was recovered on Sunday morning. According to official data, around 44,275 people were shifted to 92 relief camps in Nellore district. A total number of 37,507 people from Nellore revenue division were shifted to 50 relief camps amongst them.

Mundargi farmers worry about water release from dams

RAGHOTTAM KOPPAR @Gadag

FARMERS of Mundargi are worried that Shivamogga and the surrounding areas will receive more rainfall. If water is released from Bhadravathi dam to Hammigi barrage near Mundargi, the gates of the barrage will have to be opened, and a large quantity of water will gush out into the farmlands.

Hammigi barrage opened seven gates as 43.366 cusecs of water flowed out on Sunday morning. Farmers are struggling to save their crops due to rain. If the river swells again, they will lose all their crops.

Bidaralli, Vithalapur, Singatalur, Gummagola, Shiranahalli, Irannanagudda, Gangapur, Kakkur, Korlahalli and other villages are at the river basins. The river is swelling and water has been gushing into hundreds of acres in Mundargi taluk for the past two days. The dam has storage capacity of only 1.8 tmcft of water. The process of shifting four villages is still not implemented due to the local government. Mundargi Tahsildar and other officials visited the villages and inspected them. The tahsildar also told agriculture officials to give compensation to farmers as per rules. Farmers of these villages said they have been demanding that Bidaralli, Vittalapur and Gummagola villages be shifted. If these villages are shifted, we can store 3.8 tmcft of water in the barrage, and prevent a flood-like situation. The lives of people, livestock and crops can be saved.

Irrigation department officials from Mundargi said, "Inflow into the river is increasing, and seven gates have been opened. They have to open more gates if there is excess water."

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>
> Irrigation department officials

Voters arrive in large numbers to exercise their franchise in the Karnataka Sahitya Parishath elections in Bengaluru on Sunday | NAGARAJA GADEKAL

Sahitya Parishat elections go off smoothly across Karnataka

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE@Kalaburagi

ELECTIONS were held to the post of Kannada Sahitya Parishat district presidents on Sunday, as members from across Karnataka cast their votes. Though details of official figures were not available late at night, a few results were available.

The winners of the election: Cultural organiser Vijaykumar Tegalatippi (Kalaburagi), Allundi Ranganna Patil (Raichur), Suresh Chennashetty (Bidar), Siddappa Hotti (Yadgir), D Manjunath (Shivamogga), Vamadevappa (Davanagere), K M Shivaswamy Nayakanahatti (Chitradurga).

Flying in from Dubai to vote

Hassan: Monika Deepak came all the way from Dubai to exercise her franchise in the election to the president's post for Kannada Sahitya Parishat. She cast her vote at the taluk office polling station in Belur town, and returned. "I came from Dubai as I feel proud of Kannada language. Every Kannadiga should speak and promote Kannada," she said. Interestingly, Monika came with here one-and-a-half year-old baby. **ENS**

EXPRESS READ

TN cop hacked to death while chasing goat thieves

Pudukkottai: A special sub-inspector (SSI) who went chasing suspected goat thieves was allegedly hacked to death near Kalamavur village in Pudukkottai in the wee hours on Sunday. Chief Minister MK Stalin has announced a solatium of ₹1 crore for the deceased cop's family. **ENS**

Residents panic as 68 jumbos camp near village

Hassan: Villagers of Kumbaragatte and adjacent villages panicked as a herd of 68 elephants including five calves stationed near the village in Sakleshpur taluk. The elephants are damaging paddy and ginger crops for the last two days. Forest officials are making efforts to drive the elephants back to the woods. Anxious farmers have slammed forest officials for failing to combat the decades old menace. Ramanna, a village head, alleged that the government is spending crores of rupees for the development works but completely neglecting the burning problem of Malnad region. **ENS**

MP has flown Rafale, other fighters too

CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1

"I was touched and honoured to be flown by my dear friend and colleague Rajiv Pratap Rudy today...," Chhatrapati tweeted.

Rudy said flying is a passion for him. "I am the only parliamentarian globally who does piloting duties. I flew the Rafale even before it was inducted and have regularly flown fighter planes during air shows in Bengaluru. I have managed to sustain my interest in flying in my 30-year-old political career. Whenever I am a bit free from my political duties, I make it a point to fly," he said. "It is mandatory to have certain hours of flying to your credit to retain your licence under DGCA rules" he added. It is boring to be a passenger on a two-hour flight, Rudy says. "When I need to fly a lot for my official duties, I opt to make a switch to the cockpit as I enjoy it there."

Describing Sunday's trip, he said the ease of connectivity now is impressive. "This morning I was in Port Blair, 4,000 km away from my constituency, attended a meet, stopped over at Bengaluru, and am on my way to my constituency by car where we will discuss a few things tonight over bonfire."

IN THE COURT OF THE CITY CIVIL JUDGE (CCH-63) AT BANGALORE

P & SC No. 276/2021

BETWEEN: 1. Sri. Kannan Hariharan, Aged about 37 years, S/o. Late. Shri V. Hariharan
2. Sri. Anand Hariharan, Aged about 35 years, S/o. Late. Shri V. Hariharan
Both are Residing at Plat No.1302, A Block, Juniper, Salarpuria Greenage, Hosur Road, Near Oxford Institutions, Bommanahalli, Bangalore South, Bangalore - 560068.
...PETITIONERS

AND : Nil ...RESPONDENT

PUBLIC NOTICE

WHEREAS the above-named Petitioners have made petition to this Court under Section 372 of the Indian Succession Act, for the grant of Succession Certificate in favour of the Petitioners who are sons of the deceased, in respect of shares and bank locker (which is more fully described in the schedule hereunder) of deceased Shri V. Hariharan died on 29.11.2017, S/o. V.P. Vaidyanathan, last residing at Flat No.1302, A Block, Juniper, Salarpuria Greenage, Hosur Road, Near Oxford Institutions, Bommanahalli, Bangalore South, Bangalore - 560068 and his late wife Smt. Geetha Hariharan. If any person or party has any objection in granting the succession, he/she may appear before this Court, in person or through pleader Advocate duly instructed and file their written objection, if any, **on 10.12.2021 at 11 AM,** facing which the petition will be heard exparte.

SCHEDULE

1. Listed Shares

Sl. No.	ISIN	Name of the Company	Number of Shares	Value of the Share as on 16-Feb-2021 (INR)
1.	INE814H01011	ADANI POWER LIMI EQ	74	4,088.5
2.	INE522F01014	COAL INDIA LTD EQ	50	6,687.5
3.	INE134E01011	POWER FINANCE CO EQ	572	76,476.4
4.	INE752E01010	POWER GRID CORPO EQ	7256	16,35,865.2
5.	INE020B01018	REC LIMITED EQ	120	18,432
6.	INE614G01033	RELIANCE POWER L EQ	27	86.94
		TOTAL	8099	17,41,636/-

SCHEDULE - B

Bank Locker bearing No. N31, maintained at State Bank of India, PBB HSR Layout Branch, Bangalore.

Given under my hand and seal of the Court, this 30.10.2021.

By order of the Court, Assistant Registrar, City Civil Court, Bangalore.

Address for Service : **Jamal Sait,** Advocate
No. 5, 1/1, 1st Floor, Sujatha Complex, Gandhinagar, Bangalore - 560 009.

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WITHOUT HARD WORK, NOTHING GROWS BUT WEEDS › GORDON B HINCKLEY

IN THE COURT OF THE CITY CIVIL JUDGE AT BENGALURU (COMMERCIAL DISPUTE) (CCH No. 87)
COMMERCIAL O.S. No. 534/2021

PLAINTIFFS: M/S. AARK ENTERPRISES (I) PVT. LTD., Duly Represented by its Directors.

-V/s-

DEFENDANTS: M/S. N C N DEVELOPERS, A Partnership Firm, Represented by its Partners. b). **SRI. VEDA PRAKASH,** Father's Name not known to the Plaintiffs, aged about 33 years, No. 987, MRN Centre, 1st Floor, 5th 'A' Cross, Babusapalya, (HRBR Layout), Kalyana Nagar, Bengaluru - 560 043.

SUMMONS TO DEFENDANT (b) UNDER ORDER V RULE 20 OF CPC

Whereas the Plaintiff has instituted the above suit for recovery of a sum of Rs. 19,00,500/- (Rupees Nineteen Lakhs and Five Hundred only) as on 21-08-2021 together with current interest at the rate of 18% p.a. on the principal sum of Rs. 12,40,134/- (Rupees Twelve Lakhs Forty Thousand One Hundred and Thirty Four only) from the date of this suit till the date of payment against the Defendants, hence you are hereby summoned to appear before the Court of City Civil Judge, (Commercial Dispute) (CCH No. 87) Bengaluru in person or by a Pleader duly instructed and able to answer all material questions relating to the suit or be accompanying by some person who shall be able to answer all such questions on **16-12-2021** at 11 O'clock in the forenoon. Take Notice that in default of your appearance on that day above mentioned, the suit, shall be heard and determined in your absence.

Given under my hand and seal of this Court on 18-11-2021.

By order of the Court, Sheristedar, City Civil Court, Bangalore.

Advocate for Plaintiff:
P. VENKATARAMANA
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APPENDIX IV [Rule 8(1)]
POSSESSION NOTICE (For immovable property)

Whereas the undersigned being the authorized officer of **IDFC First Bank Limited (erstwhile Capital First Limited and amalgamated with IDFC Bank Limited)** under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002, and in exercise of powers conferred under Section 13(12) of the said Act read with [rule 3] of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 issued a demand notices calling upon the Borrower/ Co-borrowers and Guarantors to repay the amount mentioned in the demand notice appended below within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice together with further interest and other charges from the date of demand notice till payment/realization.

The Borrower/ Co-Borrowers/ Guarantors having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the Borrower/ Co-Borrowers/ Guarantors and public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him/her under sub-section (4) of Section 13 of the Act read with rule 8 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 on this notice.

Loan Account Number	Borrower/s/ Co-borrower/s & Guarantors Name	Description Of The Mortgaged Properties	Demand Notice		Date And Type Of Possession Taken
			Date	Outstanding Amount (Rs.)	
19886281	1. Manjunatha K 2. Chandrakala T G	**All The Piece And Parcel Of The Property Consisting Of** The Property Bearing B Property Register No.1773/53/1/3,Site No.3, Measuring East To West 22 Feet And North To South 17+4)/ 2 Feet, Formed In Land Bearing Survey No.53/1 Of Hoskerehalli Village, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk And Bounded As : **East : Property Bearing Site No.1, West: Road, North: Private Property, South: Site No.2**	20-04-2021	Rs. 11,27,471.09/-	18-11-2021 Symbolic Possession
21025426	1. Mr. Krishna G 2. Mrs. Annapoorna Krishna G	**All The Piece And Parcel Of The Property Consisting Of** Office Premisis Bearing No. 40/71 On The Fourth Floor Of Lakshmi Complex (A Portion Of Property Bearing Earlier No. 40) Situated At Sri Krishnarajendra Road, Fort A Street, Bangalore, Presently Within The Limits Of Bbmr, Bbmp Ward No.162, Girinagar, Measuring In All About 642 Sq. Ft. (59.65 Sq. Meters) Built Up Area Along With 222 Sq. Ft. Uds, And Bounded As : **East : Office Premisis No. 40/72, West : Office Premisis No. 40/70, North : Corridor 1.8 Meters Wide, South : Open Space.**	19-04-2021	Rs. 40,59,880.53/-	18-11-2021 Symbolic Possession

The Borrower/ Co-borrowers/ Guarantors in particular and the public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of **IDFC First Bank Limited (erstwhile Capital First Limited and amalgamated with IDFC Bank Limited)** for an amount mentioned in the demand notice together with further interest and other charges from the date of demand notice till payment/realization.

Sd/-
Authorised Officer
IDFC First Bank Limited
(erstwhile Capital First Limited and amalgamated with IDFC Bank Limited

Date : 18-11-2021
Place : Bangalore.

EDITORIAL

Judging someone for looking unclean or being loud or anything is a neurotic way to seek happiness ... It's never just: They are bad. It is also: Therefore, I am good

Mingyur Rinpoche

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— Ramnath Goenka

GEHLOT FAUX PAS RELEASES CORRUPTION STENCH IN RAJASTHAN

After months of discord within the ruling Rajasthan Congress, the high command finally shook up the ministry to make it more representative and revamped the party unit. The reset, however, was not about improving governance. It was about striking a better balance between the competing ambitions of the old guard led by Chief Minister Ashok Gehlot, 70, and his young challenger Sachin Pilot, 44, who inspired the party in his capacity as the then state unit chief to wrest power from the BJP in the Assembly elections in 2018, before palace intrigue in Delhi robbed him of the crown.

Had it been about good governance, the high command would have at least paid lip service to tackling some of the glaring shortcomings in the Gehlot administration. Like the stench of corruption that permeates the system. Ironically, it was the wizened and inscrutable Gehlot who inadvertently let the graft genie out of the bottle the other day. Addressing a gathering of government teachers, he sought to make it participative by asking if they had to pay speed money to get their service transfers. What followed stunned him and embarrassed his loyalist, PCC head and education minister Govind Singh Dotasra, who too was on the dais. For all teachers said in unison that bribing for transfers was the norm. No prizes for guessing who the beneficiary was. Gehlot then tried to create some wriggle room, saying he would formulate a transfer policy to end the scourge of bribing. It was a policy he had promised in the run-up to the 2018 elections but failed to deliver.

The episode was symptomatic of the widespread corruption across the bureaucracy. From securing government jobs to awarding contracts, the entire path is lit up with bribery. The story of how a powerful minister bought his way out of a job scandal elsewhere in the country by repaying people who dragged him to court, with the judiciary looking the other way, is indicative of people in power managing to thrive. Little wonder, India's rank slipped six places to 86th among 180 countries in Transparency International's corruption perception index in 2020. The clean-up has to be done at all levels starting with the electoral system where voter bribery is a fact of life. Piecemeal efforts won't work.

WHAT WENT WRONG WITH THE PAYTM IPO

Paytm's IPO disappointment is testament to the fact that the law of averages finally catches up with you. Without a doubt, Paytm has been one of the success stories of the previous decade that was marked by an unprecedented rate of digitisation of people's lives. Paytm was at the right place at the right time to gain from this, scale up and diversify its business. Venture capitalists and private equity funds saw potential in the group's future, they came in droves—helped by easy liquidity available globally then—to fund the company and took its valuations to newer heights.

While there were always questions raised on valuations these start-ups command, they rarely come under scrutiny as long as only VC and PE funds money is involved. But once you offer equities to the public, you open yourself up to all kinds of scrutiny—regulatory as well as investor. Every number and every performance metric is analysed threadbare. All possible future scenarios—competition, outlook and cash flow—are looked into. The more noise you make, the more you come under the radar. The same happened to Paytm. Analysts and investors do not see eye to eye with Paytm on the valuation of its IPO. The issue price of ₹2,150 turned out to be a big spoiler for the fintech company that expected a mega subscription. At a time when 'rightly' priced IPO issues were getting subscribed 200-300 times followed by listings at 50-100% premium, Paytm IPO failed on both counts. While it got a tepid 1.8 times subscription, the share got pummelled on its debut on the exchanges as it closed day one with an around 27% fall.

Even though investors have realigned their expectations from new businesses and do not expect immediate profitability, they sure look for business models that promise positive cash flow in future. It looks like investors do not see much of this from Paytm, at least in the medium term. And as its share price has already fallen to ₹1,560 from the issue price, it will be interesting to see in the next couple of sessions what 'fair' value markets decide for Paytm.

The BJP used the 'India Against Corruption' campaign to vilify the UPA. The Lokpal lives in oblivion, untouched by prevailing graft. And Kejriwal continues to sell himself

THE INDIA WE ARE LIVING IN TODAY

SOUMYADIP SINHA

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As the Buddha said, the three things that cannot be hidden for long are the sun, the moon and the truth. The former Comptroller and Auditor General (CAG) now, in a way, admits that he told a lie when he named Sanjay Nirupam as one of those who pressurised him not to include Dr Manmohan Singh's name in the CAG report on his outlandish claims about presumptive loss to the government due to non-auction of spectrum. As it turned out, Sanjay Nirupam never met the man. The CAG provides no explanation; only an apology.

It is this presumptive loss theory that provided both ammunition and nobility to the campaign of "India Against Corruption". The campaign won, but in retrospect, India lost and lost badly. The lead actors of that campaign were then and perhaps even now, economical with the truth. They turned out to be harbingers of an era where deception and institutionalised corruption was perfected into an art form. At the beginning of the campaign, their leaders committed to the public that they would never enter politics. But they did. The lead actor, before becoming the chief minister of Delhi, said that he would never surround himself with security. But he did. He publicly stated that he would never move into an official residence. He was alas persuaded to do so!

The BJP used the campaign to vilify the UPA. The campaign proclaimed that a model Jan Lokpal Bill was the answer for dealing with corruption at high places. The Lokpal lives in oblivion, untouched by prevailing corruption. Kejriwal continues to sell himself. Mainstream media, which was sold out for his revolutionary ideas, is now fed by him through advertisements for propagating his cause. All of us know that corruption, far from having ended, has grown by leaps and bounds. The Jan Lokpal lies dormant, buried, and is likely to never surface. Not a single act of corruption has been investigated by the so-called Lokpal. "India Against Corruption" has turned out to be the dawn of "India for Deception". Today, the Anna Hazares are nowhere to be seen. No candle-lit marches, no sight of emotive faces disgusted with the misuse of power. All is quiet at Jantar Mantar. We do not see the politicians dancing at the samadhi of Mahatma Gandhi. We do not see the crowds gathering at Ramlila Maidan. Theatrics have ended and lies prevail.

This is not limited to that movement alone. Our prime minister, who epitomised truthfulness and the courage to fight against corruption, also proclaimed from the pulpit that he will not spare anyone, even those from his own party. He would ensure that there are no corrupt politicians in Parliament. He espoused the cause of the Jan Lokpal Bill. However, seven years have passed. Lokpal has been appointed but the "Jan" is missing altogether. I guess, there is no corruption in India anymore and the people of the nation have suddenly gone through a transformation with the passing of the Lokpal Bill. The moral fibre of this country has changed!

The prime minister attacked the then government for its policies towards Pakistan and China. Ironically, the Chinese occupy our territories while we flex our muscles through the media. Some believe that they have recently infiltrated five kilometres into our territory in Ladakh. Our prime minister says that we will give a befitting reply. At one point, he even denied the Chinese having occupied any of our territories. While the Chinese are flexing their muscles even in Arunachal, we are only using words to respond.

> Today, the Anna Hazares are nowhere to be seen. ... There may be many things the Congress did not do, which ought to have been done; there may be many decisions that can be questioned. But it did not bring the nation to its knees

The political class has shed its moral fibre. It has become a collaborator with the rich, using their wealth to further its political ends. The Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Act (MGNREGA), which was mocked and vilified by the prime minister in Parliament, is now a favourite of this government. The prime minister, at global forums, refers to India as the mother of democracy, but he is seen to throttle it at home. Corruption now seems to have been institutionalised through processes of law. Electoral bonds represent the quid-pro-quo for benefits showered on big businesses. The mainstream media, which was used as a vehicle for change, has now become, barring a few, his master's voice, wagging its tail at a few crumbs thrown at it. Institutions like the Election Commission and that of governors seem to be part and parcel of the establishment, with the latter owing allegiance to the government at the Centre and not to the Constitution and the oath of that office. They have become the mouthpiece of the Centre.

Federalism, which the prime minister espoused back in 2014, has been targeted through investigating agencies like the CBI and the ED. Judiciary stands weakened. Those having rendered judgments perceived to be against the establishment find no place in the Supreme Court. Price rise, which was bemoaned by the BJP led by its potential prime ministerial candidate at that time, has reached a level not seen before in the history of India. The price of petrol at ₹110 and that of diesel touching ₹100 per litre continue their upward spiral. The poor man's shoulders are burdened with unprecedented high prices while the rich man's stock market is on the up. This is the India we are living in. The conspiracy of those who led the "India Against Corruption" movement has belittled the values that we as a nation stand for. There may be many things that the Congress party did not do, which ought to have been done; there may be many decisions that can be questioned. But the Congress party did not bring the nation to its knees, leaving the people of India without a voice.

Those who spoke the loudest, silently rule. The poor continue to suffer.

(Tweets @KapilSibal)

PREPARING FOR A POST-ABBAS PALESTINIAN LEADERSHIP

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In early November, Moscow hosted Mohammed Dahlan, a former right-hand man of Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat who turned a rebel. He met Foreign Minister Sergei Lavrov during the visit, which raises speculations of Russian mediation in internal Fatah tensions that have paralysed the Palestine Liberation Organisation (PLO) for the past decade. Since the Obama presidency, Vladimir Putin has been engaging with various, often rival, stakeholders in the Middle East; the active Russian diplomatic engagements included the Syria-Turkey, Iran-Saudi, Qatar-Saudi, Israel-Palestine and Fatah-Hamas tracks. With Palestinian President Mahmoud Abbas slated to visit Moscow later this month, Russia could be opening another diplomatic front. Abbas studied in the Patrice Lumumba University in Moscow and earned his doctoral equivalent, and has often visited and engaged with the Soviet and later Russian leaders and is seen as a Russophile.

Dahlan, a grassroots Palestinian leader in the Gaza Strip, headed one of the several security outfits under Arafat in the wake of the Oslo accords. His downfall began when the violence and lawlessness in Gaza forced Arafat to shift the headquarters of the Palestine National Authority (PNA) to Ramallah in the West Bank following the al-Aqsa intifada. The electoral victory of Hamas in January 2006 and the military takeover of the Gaza Strip by the militant group the following year forced Dahlan to flee to the West Bank. Before long, he was embroiled in the power struggle within the Fatah in the West Bank and fell out with Abbas. Dahlan was accused of being an 'Israeli agent' and having a role in the death of Arafat. Charged with corruption in December 2014, he was expelled from Fatah. Some of the PNA officials even accused Dahlan of playing a role in the Israel-Emirati normalisation. In short, Dahlan has a colourful but chequered history. In recent years, the UAE has been projecting Dahlan as the future face of the Palestinians after Abbas. Dahlan's Moscow visit appears to have come at the Emirati bidding.

Even if the Abbas-Dahlan reconciliation does not materialise anytime soon, Moscow's intervention is interesting. The Palestinian national movement has remained fractured since the Madrid conference of 1991, which was based on the premise of a political compromise with Israel. Arafat's abandonment of resistance and claims to the whole of historical Palestine did not go down well with sections of the PLO and the militant Hamas group. Moreover, the Oslo accord, which formalised Palestinians staking their national rights only in part of historic Palestine and in the then occupied territories of the West Bank and Gaza Strip, further intensified the internal divide. Thus, while negotiating with Israel towards implementing the Oslo accord, Arafat was also fighting with Hamas and competing for legitimacy and the political support of the Palestinian masses.

> Mohammed Dahlan's Moscow visit indicates that some external players are preparing themselves for the post-Abbas Palestinian leadership. He enjoys the patronage of the UAE and might be the dark horse to succeed Abbas. Will India read the tea leaves this time around?

Arafat's legacy of placing the Palestinian cause on the global map also came with his failure to realise statehood. Abbas, who took over the reigns, has lesser accomplishments to show. In January 2005, he was elected president for a five-year term, but no elections have been held since then. In January next year, Hamas routed Fatah and captured power, which plunged the Palestinians into internal conflict and led to a spiralling of violence. Before long, the Palestinians found themselves under two distinct and irreconcilable political climates: Fatah-led and PNA-ruled West Bank and Hamas-administered Gaza Strip, with no engagement and cooperation between the two parts of Palestine. Resisting the Israeli occupation became secondary to their ideological differences and competition. Mediatory efforts by Egypt, Qatar, Saudi Arabia and erstwhile unified Sudan to bring about Fatah-Hamas unity came to naught.

The loss of administrative control of the Gaza Strip was followed by growing marginalisation of the Palestinian question in inter-Arab affairs. The Arab Spring protests and their fallouts removed any interest that Egypt, Libya, Syria and Iraq, core supporters of the Palestinians, had in their affairs. Their territorial and regime survival became more important than Palestinian statelessness. Then came the Trump Peace Plan and Abraham accords, which facilitated the Israeli-Arab normalisation even without the resolution of the Palestinian problem. Other than the occasional support, mainly during violent clashes between Israel and Hamas, the international community has also come around to recognising the limits of the octogenarian Abbas in shaping Palestinian destiny.

True, Fatah has several others like Jibril Rajoub, Mahmoud al-Aloul and of course Marwan Barghouti, who has been serving five life-terms in an Israeli prison since 2002. However, unlike them, Dahlan enjoys the patronage of the UAE and might be the dark horse to succeed Abbas. But irrespective of the outcomes, Dahlan's Moscow visit indicates that some external players are preparing themselves for the post-Abbas Palestinian leadership. Will India read the tea leaves this time around?

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Financial crisis in Kerala

This is with reference to *A mess in the making* (Nov 21). That Kerala is about to face an unprecedented financial crisis is shocking. While the state government's efforts to distribute food kits to all people who had to bear the brunt of the pandemic is commendable, pay hikes for government employees during the Covid period has turned out to be a policy that lacked wisdom and needs to be blamed for the current imbroglio.

Bijumon P N, Idukki

State of economy alarming

The main problem in the state is that the majority of people are not wary about the impact of public debt on their daily lives. Their financial burden will increase. Besides public debt, the regime is creating a minority affluent class by increasing the salaries and allowances of government employees periodically. This will lead to a gradual but substantial widening of the rich-poor gap. If the Kerala government can't increase the revenue, it should at least reduce its expenditure as 90% of the receipts go towards salaries.

Girish R Edathitta, Pathanamthitta

Actor's derogatory remarks

The article *Correction: Freedom came in 2014* (Nov 21) precisely mocks actor Kangana Ranaut for her *gyaan* about India's independence struggle. It's embarrassing to see such a person being conferred the Padma Shri. It is surprising to see no action being taken against her for the derogatory remarks about our great freedom fighters.

Chitra Manjunath, Bengaluru

Our Don Quixote

Criticism has not cramped Kangana's style and she continues to fly off the handle with monotonous regularity. Like a Don Quixote tilting at imaginary windmills, she has even taken potshots at the Mahatma. Where does the damsel who puts others in distress go from here? She has just proved that she could even bite the hand that awarded her by faulting the prime minister's decision to repeal the three farm laws and succumbing to the blackmail tactics of the "Khalistanis".

C V Aravind, Bengaluru

Freedom to offend people

Having aligned with the party ruling at the Centre, the actor feels safe and is emboldened to say what she felt about the Mahatma. His non-violence movement is still hailed globally where his philosophies are still relevant. But at home Gandhiji has numerous critics, proving that no tall leader is immune from criticism. As the saying goes, freedom of speech includes the freedom to offend people.

K Jayanthi, Chennai

Sidhu insults our martyrs

Punjab Congress chief Navjot Singh Sidhu has termed Pakistani Prime Minister Imran Khan as his elder brother. How can an Indian leader praise a country's head who sends terrorists, drones and narcotics on a daily basis across the borders and LoC? With such remarks, the Congress leader is forgetting the martyrdom of our soldiers. Shame on you Mr Sidhu.

P P Sahadevan, Nileshwar

Help Sabarimala devotees

It is disheartening to note the problems faced by devotees in the Nilakkal base camp and Pampa in Sabarimala in the aftermath of the heavy rains. Lack of basic accommodation, drinking water and toilet facilities have been a recurring problem every monsoon, yet the Devaswom Board and the government, which make crores out of the temple, look the other way.

K S Sajit, Ottapalam

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TWEETS OF THE DAY

Mayawati @Mayawati
To stop the party's falling base and political selfishness by Congress, making some ST/SC ministers in Rajasthan is like expansion of central cabinet

Randeep Singh Surjewala @rssurjewala
Our 'oratorical' PM who could not explain benefits of Black farm laws to the farmers, ignorance also has limits. The country understands everything

Tejashwi Yadav @yadavtejashwi
Merely rolling back 3 farm laws with elections coming is not going to assuage pain of farmers against Govt's ego & unilateralism in the form of farm laws

Modi pitches for tech-based and modernised policing

Calls for upgrade of learning mechanism in DG/IG conference; suggests development of inter-operable technology to benefit state forces

NAMITA BAJPAI @ Lucknow

LAYING stress on the significance of technology in present-age policing, Prime Minister Narendra Modi called for constituting a High-Power Police Technology Mission, under the leadership of the Union home minister to adopt future technologies for grassroots policing requirements during the concluding session of the three-day 56th DG/IG conference on Sunday.

Addressing the valedictory session of the conference, the prime minister cited the importance of technology in the lives of general public through CoWIN, GeM and UPI. He also suggested positive use of drone technology for the benefit of people. He stressed on the review of SMART Policing concept introduced in 2014 and suggested developing a roadmap for its continuous transformation and institutionalisation in police forces.

Laying thrust on upgrading and learning mechanism of the police force, Modi called for analysis of all police-related incidents and developing case studies. He hailed the hybrid format of the conference as it allowed free flow of information between various ranks. He suggested development of inter-operable technologies which would benefit police forces across the country.

The PM appreciated the "positive change" in the attitude of cops towards general public, particularly post-COVID. To tackle routine challenges faced by the police, he urged authorities to involve highly qualified youth to look for technological solutions through hackathons.

The conference was attended by 62 DGs/IGs of states and UTs and DGs of CAPFs/CPOs in Lucknow. More than 400 officers of various ranks attended virtually from IB offices across the country.

In the run-up to the conference, various core groups of DGPs were formed for holding discussions on key aspects of national security. The PM also awarded the President's Police Medal to IB personnel.

Prime Minister Narendra Modi addresses the 56th DGs/IGs conference in Lucknow on Sunday | PTI

UNBRIDLED

JDU firm on inclusion of OBCs in caste census

RAJESH KUMAR THAKUR @ New Delhi

WILL Bihar's ruling JD-U put a political challenge to BJP on the issue of caste-wise enumerations of OBCs in the national caste census?

This is speculated in political corridors these days, especially after the prime minister's announcement to withdraw the farm laws. If sources are to be believed, JD-U has silently and finally decided in principle not to fall in line with BJP on the issue of caste census or deviate from its stand.

After a recent statement by RJD chief Lalu Prasad that the country needs a nationwide agitation for caste-based census, just like the farmers' protest, JD-U is learnt to have decided to continue aggressively pursuing the demand for the inclusion of OBCs in the caste census with a plan to make it a national issue, if it is left unheeded by the Centre. Sources said the JDU is politically optimistic that other Opposition parties will support them.

Recently, Bihar CM Nitish Kumar announced that leaders of all political parties, including RJD, will soon sit together to decide the course of action on the demand for caste-based census in Bihar. He also said that the option of conducting a state-specific census was always open. "We will go with a collective decision of all parties on this issue," he had said.

Sources said JD-U has decided in principle to go with the Opposition on this, throwing a major challenge to BJP in national politics. "The PM might have sidelined the Opposition-led stir against the farm laws by announcing a rollback, but it remains to be seen how he tackles the next challenge of caste census," said a senior JD-U leader, preferring anonymity.

Earlier, Nitish had led an all-party delegation from Bihar that met PM Modi demanding the inclusion of OBCs in caste census.

In September, the BJP-led government at the Centre had told the Supreme Court through an affidavit that caste census of OBCs was not possible because of technical and administrative reasons.

EXPRESS READ

SII to export 50 lakh Covishield doses

New Delhi: The Centre has allowed Serum Institute of India to export 50 lakh doses of Covishield under the UN-backed COVAX global vaccination programme to Nepal, Tajikistan and Mozambique, in addition to exporting Covishield to Bangladesh. The export will commence from November 23 and Nepal will receive the first lot on November 24.

Gurdwara body writes to Prez on Kangana

New Delhi: The Delhi Sikh Gurdwara Management Committee (DSGMC) on Sunday wrote to President Ram Nath Kovind urging him that the Padma Shri conferred on actor Kangana Ranaut be withdrawn as she was "spreading communal hatred and insulting farmers and freedom fighters". The body filed a police plaint against her on Saturday.

Centre's sinister plans remain unchanged: Sidhu

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Chandigarh

PUNJAB Congress president Navjot Singh Sidhu has alleged that even after the rollback of three farm laws, the Centre's 'sinister' plan to end assured price, food security for the poor, government procurement and public distribution system remains unchanged. He said that there had been no word from the government on framing a law to guarantee minimum support price (MSP) for crops.

In a series of tweets, Sidhu said, "Today, as we rejoice in our victory against the Centre's three Black Laws, our real work has just begun. Centre's sinister plan to end MSP, end food security for the poor, end govt procurement & end PDS will continue without the farm laws, it will be now hidden & more dangerous."

Sidhu added, "Centre's design to give procurement, storage and retail to private capital is still ongoing. No word by Centre for MSP legalisation, we are back to June 2020, small farmers need Punjab government's support to protect them from corporate takeover. Punjab Model is the only way."

On Friday, the Congress state chief had called Prime Minister Narendra Modi's announcement to repeal the three farm laws a "step in the right direction", but stressed that MSP guarantee was a bigger issue than the farm laws.

Nihangs and farmers take out a procession in Delhi's Singhu border on Sunday | PTI

Tejashwi bats for benefits, ex-gratia to farmers' kin

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ New Delhi

TEJASHWI Yadav, Leader of Opposition in Bihar, on Sunday said that merely announcing rollback of three contentious farm laws in the run-up to Assembly elections in Uttar Pradesh is not enough.

"This announcement, made just ahead of Assembly polls in UP, is not going to assuage pains of the families of the martyrs (farmers), who sacrificed their lives against the government's ego and unilateralism in the form of farm laws," he remarked.

The RJD leader demanded an ex-gratia of ₹25 lakh and jobs in government departments to each bereaved family.

He also took a jibe at Bihar CM Nitish Kumar, holding him equally responsible for supporting the farm laws and hardships faced by the farmers during agitation. He said Nitish Kumar should atone the sin he had committed by supporting the farm laws, by granting an ex-gratia of ₹5 lakh to the families of deceased farmers.

Tejashwi also demanded immediate withdrawal of the cases lodged against farmers during the agitation against the farm laws. "The Central government should immediately withdraw all cases lodged against farmers and their leaders," he said and added that the government must give a guarantee of MSP to the farmers.

To contest in 100 seats, AIMIM looking for allies

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Lucknow

WITH his ally and Suheldev Bharatiya Samaj Party (SBSP) chief O P Rajbhar holding hands with Samajwadi Party (SP) supremo Akhilesh Yadav, All India Majlis-e-Ittehadul Muslimeen (AIMIM) president Asaduddin Owaisi is in the process of cobbling up new alliances with smaller parties ahead of the 2022 UP elections.

Fewer Muslim faces

All AIMIM candidates won't be from the Muslim community. In 2017, the party had contested in 38 seats but drew a blank

Determined to contest in 100 seats in UP, Owaisi on Sunday said his party was in talks with "one or two parties" for an alliance. However, he was tight-lipped over names. It may be recalled that Owaisi had joined the Rajbhar-led Bhagidari Morcha, an umbrella outfit of around 10 smaller caste-based groups. But with Rajbhar clinching an alliance with SP, Bhagidari Morcha slipped into disarray. Many smaller political groups are unwilling to go with Rajbhar. Owaisi is one of them.

Interacting with media persons in Lucknow on Sunday, the AIMIM chief exuded confidence that his party would emerge victorious in the seats it would contest next year. "Our party has decided to contest elections in 100 seats. We are in talks with one or two more parties and time will tell if we form an alliance or not. We are in a position to win elections," Owaisi said.

Owaisi had earlier said his party was in talks with Pragatisheel Samajwadi Party leader Shivpal Yadav, and suggested he was also in talks with the president of Azad Samaj Party, Chandra Shekhar Azad. "We are in talks with Shivpal Yadav. I've also met Chandra Shekhar once. We are in talks with other parties too," The party chief had said last month.

Nadda to kick off first leg of UP poll campaign

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ New Delhi

BJP chief J P Nadda on Monday will kick off the first leg of the party's campaign for Uttar Pradesh Assembly polls early next year by launching the regional booth-level activities.

With the BJP working out the strategy to work at the poll-booth-levels with the involvements of the top state leaders of the saffron party.

Nadda will hold strategy meetings for the Kanpur and Gorakhpur regions during his two-day-long stay in the poll bound state.

BJP national media head Anil Baluni said that Nadda will also inaugurate party offices in seven districts of the state through virtual mode during his stay in the politically important state.

The chief will also be going to the state capital Lucknow to hold stock-taking meetings with party leaders.

With Prime Minister Narendra Modi already launching several developmental projects in the state, the BJP is now stepping up its election campaign momentum in Uttar Pradesh. Union Minister for Home Affairs Amit Shah has also visited the poll-bound state.

Baluni said that Nadda will preside over the organisational meetings in the state's capital Lucknow.

The visit of the BJP national president is coming close in the heels of the top leadership of the party brainstorming the strategies for the poll-bound state in the national capital a few days ago in which the state leaders were also called in.

Nadda is likely to discuss the rollout of the strategies in various zones in which the state has been divided for the electioneering purposes.

Eye on Maharashtra, BJP promotes Tawde in central team

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ New Delhi

SEEKING to beef up its Maharashtra leadership, the BJP on Sunday promoted former state minister **Vinod Tawde** to the position of the party's national general secretary. Coming after inclusion of Narayan Rane in the Union Cabinet, Tawde's elevation is seen as the party's strategy to broad base its Maharashtra leadership to boost prospects for going solo in future state elections.

Tawde fills the vacancy in the position of general secretary after senior party leader Bhupender Yadav was drafted in the Union Cabinet earlier. Tawde, who in the past has served as a minister in the state government, had earlier been included in the national office bearers' team as national secretary of the party.

Within Maharashtra unit of the BJP, Tawde is seen to be a political heavyweight having held key positions in the organisation. He's also associated with a BJP sympathiser think tank Rambhau Mhalgi Prabodhini, which had recently organised a conclave in the national capital to deliberate on two decades of Prime Minister Narendra Modi in the public service.

The BJP by all accounts appears looking ahead to go solo in Maharashtra politics after one of its oldest allies Shiv Sena quit the NDA to join hands with the NCP and the Congress to form the government despite contesting the state Assembly elections as a pre-poll alliance with the saffron outfit.

The BJP drafted Rituraj Singh, son of the party's former Rajya Sabha MP and influential businessman R K Sinha, in the national office bearers' team as the national secretary. Also, the BJP inducted former Ranchi mayor Asha Lakra, a tribal leader, as the national secretary of the party.

Former IPS officer Bharti Ghosh along with Shehzad Poonawal are in the team of spokespersons.

The BJP had previously brought in its former West Bengal unit chief Dilip Ghosh as the party's vice president to fill the vacancy after the induction of Annapurna Devi in the Union Council of Ministers.

However, the BJP is yet to fill multiple vacancies in the Parliamentary Board of BJP.

2022 PUNJAB ELECTION

Delhi model will be replicated in Punjab, decision on CM face soon: AAP leader

HARPREET BAJWA @ Chandigarh

PUNJAB'S Leader of Opposition and senior AAP leader **Harpal Singh Cheema** is confident of his party's success in Assembly polls. He feels incompetence of the Congress government will prompt people to vote for AAP. Excerpts from an interview.

With Assembly elections approaching, the political situation in Punjab is very fluid. How do you rate AAP's chances?
In 2017, AAP for the first time contested Assembly elections as a third party. People responded with confidence and faith in our party. With allies, we had 22 MLAs. We are contesting elections again and getting good response on the ground. We are sure AAP will form the next government. We expect around 80 seats. People are appreciating our ground realities and looking at Arvind Kejriwal with hope and respect.

During last elections, there was huge hype that AAP would come to power but it did not happen. How will you avoid a repeat?
This time we will get better results than 2017. Back then, we had contested for the first time in the state. This time, people are telling us to keep going and that they are with us.

Who is your biggest rival in Punjab? Congress party or the Shiromani Akali Dal?
Out biggest rival in Punjab is corruption, unemployment and the condition of farmers. We have to fight on these issues and then only the people will throw away Congress and Shiromani Akali Dal.

Your party has not yet come out clearly about the chief minister. Don't you think it will affect you performance, considering that there was no chief minister face last time either?
If we do not declare a chief ministerial face, it will affect us. Our party will definitely go to the polls with a CM face. It will be from Punjab itself.

What is your take on Punjab AAP president Bhagwant Mann, considering that his supporters and other party leaders want him to be party's CM face?
There is inner party democracy in AAP and everyone has a right to present a view point. Bhagwant Mann is our state unit president, second time MP and he is performing very well. But our chief ministerial pick will be decided by the central leadership and national convenor Arvind Kejriwal.

What is going to be your slogan in Punjab? Will it be the Delhi model for Punjab or sacrilege, unemployment, drug and sand mafia, cancellation of PPAs or cheap electricity?
The Delhi model is needed in Punjab, like for instance in the field of education which has collapsed. Also in the health and transportation sector. Shiromani Akali Dal did nothing and only increased the debt burden on the state. Following the same pattern, Congress has been continuously increasing the debt burden. The second point is, Congress came to power with the slogan of good governance, finishing drug mafia, eradicating unemployment and loan waiver. But this government could not fulfil any of its promises in five years.

Chief Minister Charanjit Singh Channi is just making announcements like other Congress leaders. There is zero implementation on the ground. The government treasury is empty, there is a burden of loans. To repay those loans the government is taking loan. How can it give relief to the citizens of the state?

What is the Delhi model and how is it applicable in Punjab?
The Delhi model will be totally replicated in Punjab. For that, the biggest issue is money. Leakage of government treasury has to stop. We will work 18 hours a day, fill the government treasury, pay off loans and also do development work. Corruption will be finished. Buildings and other projects this government is undertaking for ₹100 crore, our government will do for ₹50 crore or ₹75 crore and use the remaining money in upgrading education and health facilities.

Full interview on www.newindianexpress.com

BOMBS IN VILLAGE

Police seized eight live bombs from a village in Bihar's Vaishali district on Sunday, four days before panchayat polls in the area. The bombs were seized from Javaj village under the jurisdiction of Mahnar police station

2 TEENS PLAYING PUBG HIT BY TRAIN IN MATHURA

Ahmedabad	31	21	Mumbai	35	24
Bhopal	28	13	Panaji	33	23
Jaipur	26	13	Patna	28	16
Amritsar	26	08	Lucknow	28	14
Chennai	31	23	Port Blair	31	26
Kolkata	30	22	Imphal	23	13
Srinagar	13	-02	Chandigarh	26	10

Mamata's Delhi trip aimed at wider footprint for TMC

Likely to seek Bengal's dues from PM Modi and meet oppn leaders

PRANAB MONDAL @ Kolkata

WEST Bengal Chief Minister and Trinamool Congress supremo **Mamata Banerjee** is scheduled to fly to Delhi on Monday as part of her three-day national capital visit where she is likely to meet Prime Minister Narendra Modi. It is also learnt that she may meet leaders of opposition parties to discuss Modi's announcement of repealing the three contentious farm laws.

Sources in the state government said Mamata, during her second Delhi visit since she came to power for the third straight term, might meet PM Modi and Union Home minister Ami Shah and place the state's financial demands.

"She may place demand for the state's financial dues from the Centre before Modi. The issue of increasing the BSF's jurisdiction is likely to be raised in the meeting with Shah. The West Bengal chief minister strongly opposed the Centre's decision of increasing the jurisdiction to 50 km from 15 km from international border in a few states," said an official at Nabanna, the state secretariat.

Political observers in Bengal is seeing Mamata's Delhi visit after Modi's announcement on farm laws as significant. It is believed that she may discuss the issue with non-BJP political parties.

"She (Mamata) already declared war against the BJP by contesting in Tripura and Goa. Repealing the three farm laws is BJP's massive face-loss despite the party's thumping majority in Lok Sabha. The Bengal CM will definitely utilise it to secure her electoral dividend ahead of the upcoming Assembly elections in five states as she is now trying to portray the TMC in the arena of national politics as an anti-BJP force," said Bishnupriya Dutta Gupta, professor of political science.

Mamata's nephew Abhishek Banerjee, who was scheduled to land in Agartala, Tripura, on Sunday which was postponed for a day, will hold a roadshow in the capital of the northeast state shortly. Tripura Police on Sunday arrested TMC's youth wing president Saayoni Ghosh and booked her under non-bailable charges.

Trinamool youth leader arrested in Tripura

Guwahati: Just days ahead of civic polls in Tripura, Bengali actress and TMC youth leader Saayoni Ghosh was arrested by Tripura Police on Sunday. She was booked under various IPC sections, including that for attempt to murder. The incident comes on the eve of Abhishek Banerjee's road show in state capital Agartala.

Youth's dad rejects 'see-the-face' offer

FAYAZ WANI @ Srinagar

THE family of Amir Magray, one of the four persons killed in the controversial Hyderpora encounter on November 15, has rejected the J&K Police's offer of showing them the face of the slain youth buried in a grave in Handwara in north Kashmir without handing the body over to them, saying "nothing short of handing over the mortal remains is acceptable".

Abdul Lateef Magray, father of Amir, told this newspaper that he was informed by the police superintendent of Ramban on Saturday that the family would be taken to Handwara, where they would be shown the face of his 22-year-old son. "However, we were told that Amir's mortal remains will not be handed over to us for burial at his native place in Ramban," he said.

Lateef said they rejected the police offer and gave them in writing that "we won't accept anything short of handing over mortal remains of Amir to the family for proper burial".

According to police, four persons including a Pakistani militant Haider, his associate Amir of Ramban, OGW Dr Mudasir and Altaf Ahmed (both businessmen) were killed in the November 15 encounter at Hyderpora in Srinagar.

Police had on Tuesday evening quietly buried bodies of the four in a graveyard in Handwara. However, families of Amir, Mudasir and Altaf contested the police claim and alleged it was a "staged encounter" and their relatives were innocent and not connected to militancy.

After the public outcry, authorities exhumed bodies of Mudasir and Altaf on Thursday and handed them over to their families for burial at their native places in Srinagar.

Rejecting the claim of police that his son was a militant, Lateef said Amir was working as an office boy in the office of Dr Mudasir and "CCTVs are installed in the office and police can easily verify whether Amir was a militant or not".

The authorities has ordered a magisterial probe into the encounter. J&K Lt Governor Sinha has said whosoever found guilty in the Hyderpora encounter won't be spared and the government is committed to ensure justice.

> **Amir was working as an office boy in the office of Dr Mudasir. CCTVs are installed in the office and police can easily verify whether Amir was a militant or not** — Abdul Lateef Magray, father of Amir

Maoists admit to severe setbacks from security forces since Dec 2020

EJAZ KAISER @ Raipur

THE military commission of the outlawed CPI (Maoist), in its latest report on incidents from December 2020 to September 2021, has admitted that security forces inflicted severe losses on its cadres.

The banned organisation revealed of having lost 116 cadres across the country, of which 78 were in the Dandakaranya region of Bastar, followed by 10 in Bihar-Jharkhand, 12 in Andhra Odisha Border (AOB), seven in MMC (Maharashtra-Madhya Pradesh-Chhattisgarh), six in Telangana and four in Odhisa. The report doesn't incorporate the 26 Maoists killed in the recent encounter in Maharasthra's Gadchiroli.

> **The casualty data released by the Maoists differs from ours and this difference is owing to the fact that we count the dead only after having recovered the bodies from the spot**
>
> Sundarraj P, IGP

The fatalities included 34 women rebel fighters and 36 trained armed cadres of military wing Peoples' Liberation Guerrilla Army (PLGA) of the Maoists.

The banned outfit during the given period also lost its five key Central Committee members — Purnendu Shekhar Mukherjee, Akki Raju Hargopal, Narendra Singh, Yapa Narayan alias Haribhushan and Katti Mohan Rao. The report cited that these hardcore senior members died owing to serious ailments.

"The casualty data released by the Maoists differs from ours and this difference is owing to the fact that we count the dead only after having recovered the bodies. It's the usual practice of the Red brigade to carry with them the bodies of their comrades or injured cadres during gunfights to preempt the possibility of the forces laying hold of Naxal bodies," said Sundarraj P, Inspector General of Police (Bastar zone).

The official figure of Maoist bodies recovered, as divulged by the Bastar Police, during the past one year is 46. The Chhattisgarh Police usually takes the assistance of surrendered Maoists to identify the dead rebels.

The just released description by the Maoists further stated that during the given 10 months they carried out around 300 guerrilla operations in which 66 security personnel were killed and 85 got injured. The rebels had also killed 40 persons (civilians) accusing them either as police informers or anti-people. They also claimed to have looted 15 modern weapons and thousands of ammunition (bullets) from the forces.

Defence Minister Rajnath Singh with Admiral Karambir Singh on board INS Visakhapatnam during its commissioning in Mumbai on Sunday | PTI

Some nations twisting UN sea laws: Rajnath

MUMBAI: Taking a dig at China, Defence Minister Rajnath Singh on Sunday said "some irresponsible nations" for the sake of their narrow partisan interests and hegemonic tendencies are coming up with inappropriate interpretations of the UN Convention on the Law of the Sea (UNCLOS).

It is a matter of concern that UNCLOS is being repeatedly weakened by arbitrary interpretation of its definition by some nations, Singh said, after commissioning of Navy's destroyer Visakhapatnam here.

Singh underscored the importance of a rule-based freedom of navigation and security of sea lanes in the present era of globalisation to ensure stability, economic progress and development of the world. The UNCLOS 1982 specifies about any country's territorial waters, exclusive economic zone and good order at sea, he said.

"The arbitrary interpretations create obstacles in the path of a rule-based maritime order," he said. "There are some nations - I would like to say 'irresponsible nations' (who) for the sake of their narrow partisan interests, keep on giving new and inappropriate interpretations to these international laws from hegemonic tendencies," Singh said. *PTI*

RIGHT NOTE

RSS chief Mohan Bhagwat at Sant Ishwar Samman 2021 function in New Delhi on Sunday. Bhagwat asserted that people should not just chant Jai Shri Ram, but should also try to become like him | PARVEEN NEGI

EXPRESS READ

Maha cuts excise duty on imported liquors

Mumbai: The Maharashtra government has slashed tax on imported foreign-made liquor to plug the sale of adulterated booze and increase its excise revenue. Price of imported liquor is substantially higher in Maharashtra compared to other states. The excise duty on imported branded liquors like Chivas Regal and Johnnie Walker whiskeys has been slashed from 300 per cent to 150 per cent.

Ex-BSP MLA booked for provocative video

Ghaziabad: Former BSP MLA Aslam Chaudhary has been booked on charges of provoking enmity between religious groups owing to a video clip in which he was seen rebuking Loni MLA Nand Kishore Gurjar. The ex-Dhaulana legislator had recently joined the SP. In a video, Chaudhary was seen addressing a gathering of people and questioning the November 11 'encounter' in Loni in which seven Muslim men received bullet injuries during a raid.

Assam, Nagaland CMs hold closed-door talks

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Guwahati

ASSAM Chief Minister Himanta Biswa Sarma and his Nagaland counterpart Neiphiu Rio on Sunday held a closed-door meeting in Jorhat, Assam. None of them disclosed what exactly was discussed. Calls made to Rio went unattended while Sarma tweeted that issues of mutual interest were discussed.

"Glad to have met HCM Nagaland Sri @Neiphiu_Rio at Jorhat today, along with MP Sri @KamakhyaTasa. Discussed several issues of mutual interest in order to strengthen the age-old ties & bonhomie b/w two states. We strive towards building an ever united & stronger #NorthEast," the Assam CM tweeted.

The two states are locked in a bitter and raging border dispute that claimed many lives in the past. In July this year, they had signed an agreement to de-escalate tension along the interstate border.

Speculations were rife that the duo also discussed issues pertaining to the Naga rebel groups as well as the (ULFA).

CM Himanta Biswa Sarma welcomes Neiphiu Rio in Jorhat on Sunday

The Centre has taken both of them into confidence as it tries to resolve the "Naga political problem". The peace talks with major rebel group National Socialist Council of Nagalim or NSCN-IM have hit roadblocks as the outfit has remained adamant on the contentious demand of Naga flag and "yezabo" (constitution).

As regards the ULFA, the Assam government is trying back-channel negotiations.

CLEAN INDIA

Uttarakhand tops Himalayan states in Swachh score

VINEET UPADHYAY @ Dehradun

UTTARAKHAND has come on top of Himalayan states in 'Swachh Survekshan 2021'. The state has also secured fourth rank among states with less than 100 urban local bodies.

Bansidhar Bhagat, Urban Development Minister of Uttarakhand, said: "There is a lot of improvement but we aspire to work hard as there is always space for improvisation. I congratulate everyone who worked hard to achieve this feat."

Under the category of 'Garbage Free City Star Rating' three urban bodies from Uttarakhand — Dehradun, Muni Ki Reti and Roorkee — made to the list for the first time with Muni ki Reti securing 11th position in the country.

The results of the annual nationwide Swachh Survekshan were declared on Saturday. The results have yielded a mixed bag for the six biggest cities of Uttarakhand namely Dehradun, Roorkee, Haridwar, Haldwani, Kashipur and Rudrapur.

With its rank of 82 among 372 cities in the 1 to 10 lakh population category, Dehradun has managed to enter the much coveted '100 Top Cities' category for the first time. No city in Uttarakhand had ever crossed the below-100 rank in any of the earlier Swachh Survekshan editions. Haridwar, Haldwani and Kashipur have lagged behind. Haridwar has slipped to 285 in 2021 from 244 in 2020.

Anoop Nautiyal, of Social Development for Communities, said: "In comparison to the bigger cities in Uttarakhand, several smaller towns have more robust waste management models. They are able to also generate resources from the sale of dry waste to collectors and recyclers. Muni Ki Reti is a good example for this."

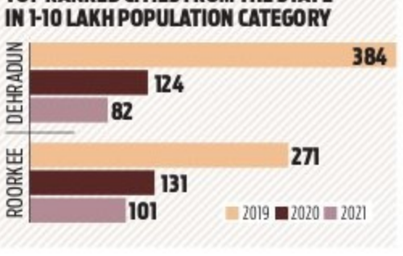
Irrespective of rankings, waste management remains a major challenge for Uttarakhand. Many also pointed out that plastic waste is rampant and is a major threat for the ecologically fragile state.

"It would be apt to describe the 2021 Swachh Survekshan results as one step forward, one step backward for Uttarakhand. Thus, a lot of unfinished work remains both for authorities as well as the citizens," said Ayush Joshi, a conservationist.

CLEANLINESS SCORE

Uttarakhand	1,325
Himachal Pradesh	1,050
Nagaland	1,000
Manipur	950
Assam	950
Mizoram	950
Sikkim	925
Arunachal Pradesh	925
Tripura	900
Meghalaya	225

TOP RANKED CITIES FROM THE STATE IN 1-10 LAKH POPULATION CATEGORY



Jaipur Jewellery Show to sparkle in December

After a long break due to the pandemic, the Jaipur Jewellery Show (JJS) will be held from December 24 to 27. The mega show on the theme 'It's Time to Sparkle' will be held at the Exhibition and Convention Center in Jaipur's Sitapura. The theme poster of JJS was released by UDH Minister Shanti Dhariwal who hoped that this show will prove beneficial for jewellers, coloured gems manufacturers and local artisans who have been waiting for the event.

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JAIPUR DIARY

State attracts global investments from Dubai Expo

The recent Dubai Expo became the platform for the launch of Rajasthan's investment summit – "Invest Rajasthan 2022" – to be held on January 24 and 25, 2022. By participating in the Dubai Expo for seven days, a high-powered delegation from the desert state showcased the investment opportunities in Rajasthan. The delegation was led by three ministers of the Gehlot government - UDH minister Shanti Dhariwal, Minister of Industries Parsadi Lal Meena and the Minister of Industries & Commerce Arjun Lal Bamaniya. During the Dubai visit the delegation signed 17 LOIs and 24 MOUs on behalf of the state government. These agreements to the tune of about ` 37,828 crore is expected to create employment opportunities and open doors for more regular investment.

Pink City celebrates 294th Foundation Day

Jaipur celebrated its 294th foundation day on November 18 with a big function at the Choti Chaupar. The walled city gets its name from Maharaja Jai Singh II who founded Jaipur in November 1727 – who created Jaipur as one of India's earliest planned cities.
The 'Jaipur Foundation Day-2021' was held on November 18 and 19 by the Municipal Corporation Heritage. As part of the celebrations, the 'Aapno Jaipur' programme was organised at the Hawa Mahal where an exhibition was held to showcase the evolution of Jaipur into a modern city over the past 294 years.

Jaipur girl crowned 'Elite Miss Rajasthan'

Aastha Khandelwal from Jaipur was crowned 'Elite Miss Rajasthan 2021' at a glittering ceremony here. The first and second runners up were Vasudha Tiwari of Jaipur and Divisha Paliwal of Udaipur. Talent from cities like Jodhpur and Kota as well as small cities and villages of the state also made representation at the show. The contestants showcased their skills on the ramp at this pageant in five rounds. Designers from all over Rajasthan displayed collections in the multi-designer round. Fusion jewellery and garments, Indian and Western designer collections were also on display. The winners were decided based on their talent, confidence, and intelligence.

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Migrants drowned on Wednesday after departing form Libya

GLOBAL WEATHER
LR: Light Rain • HR: Heavy Rain • TDS: Thundershower • LC: Light Cloud • SNY: Sunny

Beijing	22	15	HR	Los Angeles	30	17	SNY
Colombo	29	26	TDS	Melbourne	13	7	LR
Dhaka	30	26	TDS	Moscow	6	5	LR
Dubai	40	31	SNY	New York	25	18	SNY
Houston	38	25	SNY	Singapore	31	27	LC
Istanbul	30	20	SNY	Toronto	22	19	LC
London	20	10	LC	Washington	27	18	LC

TENSIONS RISE

1 killed, 3 hurt in attack by Hamas gunman in Jerusalem

JERUSALEM

A militant of the Palestinian Islamist Hamas movement opened fire on Sunday in Jerusalem's Old City, killing one person and wounding three before he was shot dead by the police, Israeli officials said.

Prime Minister Naftali Bennett ordered security to be boosted and called for people to be on "heightened alert" over the risk of further attacks.

The four wounded, two police officers and two civilians, were rushed to Jerusalem's Hadassah hospital, where one of the civilian victims died.

"This morning there was a serious shooting attack in the Old City of Jerusalem," Bennett said in a statement. "At the moment we have one dead and three wounded. "Two policewomen and one policeman quickly neutralised the terrorist." The Western Wall Heritage Foundation identified the victim as Eliyahu Kay, an immigrant from South Africa, who was employed by them as a guide at the Western Wall plaza in the city. The immigration ministry said he was 25 and had come to Israel in 2019.

Police said the attacker had fired a "Carlo-type weapon", a type of submachine gun.

The Old City is in the Israeli-annexed eastern part of Jerusalem, which Palestinians claim as the capital of their future state.

Massive protests in Pak city against Xi's pet infra project

Fishing by Chinese trawlers, heavy handedness by forces guarding CPEC sparks uproar

ISLAMABAD

MASSIVE protests have erupted in Pakistan's port city of Gwadar against unnecessary checkpoints, a severe shortage of water and electricity and threats to livelihoods from illegal fishing, part of a growing backlash in the country against China's multibillion-dollar belt and road projects.

The protests organised by workers of some political parties, civil rights activists, fishermen and concerned citizens have been going on for a week at Y Chowk on Port Road in Gwadar, a coastal town in the restive Southwest Balochistan province of Pakistan.

The protesters demand the removal of unnecessary security check posts, availability of drinking water and electricity, eviction of big fishing trawlers from Makran coast and opening of the border with Iran from Panjgur to Gwadar, Jang newspaper reported on Sunday. Head of the 'Give rights to Gwadar' rally Maulana Hidayat ur Rehman said the protests would continue until their demands are met, asserting that the government has not been sincere in resolving the problems of the local people living in the region.

Rehman has strongly criticised the government in the past for failing to resolve the basic problems of the people of Gwadar.

"We are demanding the rights of Gwadar, which were usurped by the rulers and the people were even deprived of basic needs. The fishermen were not able to earn their livelihood as big trawlers were allowed for fishing at Makran Coast," he said at a public meeting last month.

Rehman said despite building the Gwadar Deep Sea Port, the people of the city were still jobless and the government has done nothing about it. "It is an insult for the sons of soil when they are stopped at checkpoints and inquired about their whereabouts," he was quoted as saying by *The Express Tribune*.

The protests are part of growing discontent with China's presence in Gwadar, whose port is an integral part of the $60 billion China-Pakistan Economic Corridor project (CPEC), the flagship project of China's multi-billion-dollar Belt and Road Initiative (BRI).

Gwadar port has long been portrayed as the jewel in the CPEC crown, but in the process, the city has become the very embodiment of a security state.

The authorities' priorities are geared towards securing the port and its ancillary interests; the welfare of those for whom the area is home counts for little. Far from the port being a harbinger of an economic boom, the opposite has happened, *The Dawn* newspaper reported on Friday. *PTI*

Fighters of Tehreek-e-Taliban Pakistan in the Mamouzai area of the Orakzai Agency, in Pakistan's Khyber Pakhtunkhwa province | AFP FILE

Banned Pakistan outfit wants right to open overseas office

ISLAMABAD

THE banned Tehreek-e-Taliban Pakistan (TTP) has asked the Pakistan government to allow it to open a political office in a third country, a demand rejected by Islamabad as unacceptable, according to a media report.

In a series of meetings with the Pakistani authorities during negotiations for a peace agreement, the TTP made three demands, which include allowing the opening of a political office in a third country, reversal of the Federal Administered Tribal Areas merger with the Khyber-Pakhtunkhwa province and the introduction of Islamic system in Pakistan, the *Express Tribune* newspaper reported on Saturday.

"But Pakistani authorities told the TTP directly and through Taliban interlocutors that these demands were not acceptable," the paper said. *PTI*

Missing Chinese tennis star appears at Beijing event

BEIJING

CHINESE tennis star **Peng Shuai** appeared at a Beijing tennis tournament on Sunday, according to official event photos, after international pressure mounted for information about her wellbeing.

Peng can be seen in a navy sports jacket and white trackpants at the Fila Kids Junior Tennis Challenger Finals, according to photos published on the official Weibo account of the China Open.

The two-time Grand Slam doubles champion had not been seen publicly since alleging earlier this month that former vice premier Zhang Gaoli, now in his 70s, forced her into sex during an on-off relationship spanning several years. Following a global outcry, Chinese state media reporters have released a flurry of footage purporting to show all is well with Peng. A video from the event, tweeted by *Global Times* editor Hu Xijin, shows Peng standing in a stadium among a group of guests whose names are announced to a smattering of applause.

A Global Times reporter tweeted another video showing Peng signing autographs for children at what appears to be the same stadium. Hu also posted two other videos on Saturday, the first showing Peng walking into a restaurant wearing a coat, knit cap and face mask. In the second, Peng is maskless sitting at a table chatting with people over a meal. AFP could not verify the authenticity of the videos. Hu tweeted in English that the second video shows "Peng was having dinner with her coach and friends in a restaurant. The conversation revolved around "tennis matches". A man sitting with Peng and two women said "tomorrow is November 20th". *AP*

CHANGE OF NAME

I, Praveenkumar Mohan Shingatalur, S/o. Mr. Mohan Shingatalur, aged 41 years, R/at H801, Bren Avalon, Sy.No.212, 216, Near Graphite India Signal, Mahadevapura, Bengaluru 560048, Karnataka, India, have changed my minor son's name from '**ARYAMAN ALIAS JAY**' to '**JAY PRAVEEN SHINGATALUR**', Vide Affidavit dated 20.11.2021, Sworn before Advocate & Notary Indira S.S, Bengaluru.

PUBLIC NOTICE

The General Public are hereby notified that, on 11.11.2021, my client Sri. S.N. Umesh S/o S. Narasimaiah has negotiated and entered into a Registered Agreement for purchase of 3 items of landed properties situated in Sy. Nos.92/1, 92/2 and 92/4 of Kerekatthiganooru Village which are more fully described in the Schedule given herein below with (1) Sri. A.N. Krishnappa S/o Late Narayanappa, (2) Smt. Veena R, W/o Mr. A.N. Krishnappa, (3) Kum. Vidya Lakshmi and (4) Kum. Nidhi Krishna Nos.3 & 4 are daughters of Sri. A.N. Krishnappa, (since they are minors, represented by their father and natural guardian Sri. A.N. Krishnappa), all residents of Aladahalli Village, Billanakote Post, Sompura Hobli, Nelamangala Taluk, Bangalore Rural District.

If any other person/s, any Banking Institution/s, financier/s and etc., were to have any claim of what-so-ever over the Schedule Properties or were to have, any objection for the proposed sale transaction, he/she/they may lodge his/her/their claims/objections with documentary proof with the undersigned within 15 days from the date of publication of this notice. If no claim/objections is received by the under signed within the prescribed time, it will be presumed that, none have any claim or objections of what-so-ever over the Schedule Properties for my client to purchase the same from the above said persons and, thereby my client will proceed and complete the sale transaction.

SCHEDULE PROPERTIES

ITEM No.1: All that piece and parcel of the landed property bearing Survey No.92/1 of Kerekatthiganooru Village, Sompura Hobli, Nelamangala Taluk, Bangalore Rural District, measuring 4 Acres 32 Guntas and 0.3 Guntas Kharab Land together with all rights, appurtenances, privileges, thereto and bounded on, East by: Government Oni and Mahimapura Boundary; West by: Property of Mahimanna and Property bearing Survey No.86/2; North by: Property belonging to Vendor Krishnappa and properties bearing Sy. Nos.85/1, 85/4 and 85/5, and, South by: Property bearing Survey No.92/2 belonging to Vendor Krishnappa.

ITEM No.2: All that piece and parcel of the landed property bearing Survey No.92/2 of Kerekatthiganooru Village, Sompura Hobli, Nelamangala Taluk, Bangalore Rural District, measuring 1 Acre 29 Guntas together with all rights, appurtenances, privileges, thereto and bounded on East by: Mahimapura Boundary; West by: Lands of Mr. Ramanjinappa; North by: Property belonging to Vendor Krishnappa in Survey No.92/1 and, South by: Properties of Smt.Chennamma and Vendor Krishnappa in Survey Nos.92/3 and 92/4.

ITEM No.3: All that piece and parcel of the landed property bearing Survey No.92/4 of Kerekatthiganooru Village, Sompura Hobli, Nelamangala Taluk, Bangalore Rural District, measuring 36 Guntas together with all rights, appurtenances, privileges, thereto and bounded on East by : Lands of Smt. Chennamma; West by : Sri. B.H. Ramanjinappa Lands in Block No.2, Sy.87; North by : Lands of Vendor Krishnappa in Sy. No.92/2, and, South by : Lands bearing Survey Nos.91 and 93.

Sd/- **R. Gunashekar,** Advocate
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The undersigned being the Authorized Officer (AO) of the **Reliance Home Finance Ltd. (RHF),** invites tenders/Quotations for purchase of the properties specified below of the below mentioned Borrowers, under the provisions of the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002, read with the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002, for recovery of secured debts as mentioned herein-below along with interest and costs, etc. of RHF. The Properties are proposed to be **sold on "As is Where is" and "As is Whatever there is basis" and on without recourse basis.**

S. No	Name & Address of the Borrowers / Co Borrowers / Guarantors	Outstanding due for Recovery of which property is being sold	Reserve Price (RP), Earnest Money Deposit (EMD), Date of Inspection.	Date, Time & Venue of Auction /opening quotations /bids
1	**1. Hoysala Projects Private Limited Having Residence At:** 104 Ground Floor Infantry Techno Park Infentry Road, Bangalore - 560001 **2. Tirumali S Sateesh Having Address At :-** No. 17, Mantri Altius, Cubbon Rd, Hindu Office, Gpo Bangalore 560001 **3. Heena T S Having Address At :-** No 237 2nd Stage 2nd Block Rajamahal Vilas Extn Bangalore Karnataka-560064	**Rs.4,00,75,738/-** (Rupees Four Crore Seventy Five Thousand Seven Hundred And Thirty Eight Only) As On 18th November 2021	**Reserve Price: Rs.61,60,48,000/-** (Rupees Sixty One Crore Sixty Lakh Forty Eight Thousand Only) **Earnest Money Deposit: Rs. 6,16,04,800/- Inspection Date:** 15th December 2021 Between 11.00 A.M. To 5.00 P.M.	**17th December 2021 At 10.30 A.M. Reliance Home Finance Limited,** No.39, FFK Towers, 2nd floor, 30thcross Road, Tilak Nagar, Bannerghatta Road, Bangalore-560029

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2) Tenders/bids incomplete in any respect or unsigned or not accompanied by DD/PO for the requisite EMD are liable to be summarily rejected at the sole discretion of AO.
3) The aforesaid Properties shall not be sold below the reserve price mentioned above.
4) Successful party shall deposit 25% of the quoted amount, which amount shall include the EMD deposited, immediately on the same day by way of Pay Order / DD drawn **in favour of "Reliance Home Finance Ltd..", payable at Bangalore,** and remaining 75% shall be deposited within 15 days of date of the confirmation of sale or within the extended period as allowed by the undersigned in writing. The AO may at his/her sole discretion extend in writing the time for making the payments. In case of failure to make the required payments by the stipulated dates, the EMD and all amounts paid till then, shall stand forfeited without any notice and the properties shall be resold.
5) All such Payments to be made only in the form of Pay Order or Demand Draft drawn **in favour of the Reliance Home Finance Ltd., payable at Bangalore.**
6) The Successful party would bear the charges/fees payable for sale/conveyance such as stamp duty, registration fees, taxes, levies, etc. as applicable as per law and also the miscellaneous expenses.
7) The AO will not be responsible for any charge, lien, encumbrance, property tax or any other dues to the Govt. or anybody in respect of the properties under sale.
8) The AO reserves its right to negotiate with the highest bidder for improvement in the offer and has the absolute right to accept or reject any quotation or adjourn/postpone/cancel the auction/sale without assigning any reason therefore.
9) The sale is subject to confirmation by the RHF.
10) If the Borrower pays the amount due to the RHF in full before the date of auction/confirmation of sale, the auction/sale is liable to be stopped.
11) To the best of knowledge and information of the AO, no other encumbrance exists on the above mentioned properties.
12) The bid is not transferable.
13) This publication is also a notice of 15 days to the Borrowers and Co-borrowers of the intention of holding of sale on above mentioned date if the dues are not repaid in full. If the borrower has any such proposal of selling of the properties to any person by private sale or by getting quotation, the same may be communicated to the undersigned within 7 days.

STATUTORY 15 DAYS SALE NOTICE UNDER SARFAESI ACT, 2002

The Borrowers and co-borrowers are hereby noticed to pay the total outstanding dues before the date of opening of bid failing which the secured assets will be auctioned and balance, if any, will be recovered with interest, cost and charges thereon from you.

[Authorised Officer]
Name : Ramesh Ramu
Reliance Home Finance Ltd.

Place: BANGALORE
Date: 19.11.2021

DEUTSCHE BANK AG

Appendix IV [Rule 8 (1)] POSSESSION NOTICE

Whereas, the undersigned being the authorized officer of Deutsche Bank AG, India ("Bank") under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 and in exercise of powers conferred under Section 13(12) read with rule 9 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 issued a demand notice dated **10th October 2019** calling upon the borrower **Mr. Ganesh Ramakrishnan and Ms. G Revathi ("Borrower")**, to repay the outstanding amount as mentioned in the notice being **34,01,900.32 (Rupees Thirty Four Lakh One Thousand Nine Hundred and Thirty Two Paisa Only)** within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice. The Borrower having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the Borrower and the public in general that the undersigned has taken symbolic possession of the property described herein below in exercise of the powers conferred on him/her under Section 13(4) of the said act read with rule 9 of the said act on this **18th Day Of November of the year 2021.**
The Borrower in particular and the public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of the Bank for an amount of **34,01,900.32 (Rupees Thirty Four Lakh One Thousand Nine Hundred and Thirty Two Paisa Only) and interest thereon.**

Description of the Immovable Property

Schedule 'A'
All that the piece and parcel of residential building site under BMP No.20 in its Divn. No. 95, situated at M.M. Layout, Kavalbyrasandra, R.T Nagar post, Bangalore-560032, measuring East to West 51+60/2 ft. and North to South 80'-0" and **bounded as under:-** (PID No: 95-106-20) **North By:** Private Property (old house No. 561), **South By:** House No. 398. **East By:** 30 ft. wide Road, **West By:** Private Property.

Schedule 'B'
Flat No. 203, Type-C, BMP No:20/10, (East facing Main Door) in Second Floor of the building "BANASHANKARI CORAL" built on property as described under Schedule 'A' above, super-built area of which is 1150 sft. Including common areas and **bounded as under :-** (PID No: 95-106-20/10) **North By:** Private Property, **South By:** Private Property, **East By:** Flat No 204, **West By:** Flat No 202, **Top by :** Flat No 302, **Bottom by :** Flat No 103.

Schedule 'C'
314 sft. of undivided share and interest in Schedule 'A' land wherein the flat under Schedule 'B' is one of the flats.

Ajay Singh
Sd/- Authorized Officer,
Deutsche Bank A.G.

Date: 22/11/2021
Place: Bangalore

PUBLIC NOTICE

The General Public is here by put to notice that my clients are intending to purchase the Schedule Property from its owners namely **Sri.A.N.Arun, Sri.Ashwini Aragam, Sri.Adarsh.N. Aragam, Smt. Padma Swamy, Smt. Mangala Rajachandra, Smt. Anju Aragam, Sri.A. Achutha Rao, Smt. Saroja. A. and Sri. Dayananda Aragam,** all residing at **No.25/C(211), 38th Cross, JSS School, Jayanagar 8th Block, Bangalore- 560070.**

Any person having any manner of claim, right, title and interest over the Schedule Property are hereby notified to register their claim with copies of documents to the undersigned, **within15 days from this date of Public Notice.** If no claims or objections are registered, my client shall proceed and complete the sale transaction to purchase the Schedule Property, deemed to be free from all encumbrances. **Any claims received beyond 15 days will not be considered.**

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of the, Property bearing **Site No.25/C, BBMP Khatha No.18, PID No.58-88-18, situated at 38th Cross, 8th Block, Jayanagar, Bangalore,** measuring **East to West 40feet** and **North to South 54feet, totally measuring 2160sq.ft.,** along with residential building thereon and bounded on
East by : **SiteNo.25/B** West by:**SiteNo.26/B**
North by :**SiteNo.25/D** South by :**Road.**

Sd/-
G.V.Sudhakar, Advocate
No.3,4,5&8, First Floor, Abhayashrama Compex,
4th Cross,Wilson Garden, Bangalore-27.
Ph:080-42194390, 98863 59644

Date: **22nd Nov 2021**
Place: **Bangalore**

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Head Office: Level -3, Wockhardt Towers, East Wing C-2 Block, Bandra Kurla Complex, Bandra (East), Mumbai 400 051; **Tel:** 022 4241 0400, 022 4060 3100 ; **Website:** http://www.shriramhousing.in
Registered Off: Office No. 123, Angappa Naicken Street, Chennai – 600 001;
Branch Off: No. 96, R B Manor, 20th Main Road, Rajajinagar 2nd block, Bangalore – 560010

APPENDIX-IV-A [SEE PROVISION TO RULE 8(6)] SALE NOTICE FOR SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES

E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with provision to Rule 8 (6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002.

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower/s and Guarantor/s that the below described immovable properties mortgaged/ charged to The Shriram Housing Finance Limited, The Physical possession of which have been taken by the Authorized Officer of Shriram Housing Finance Limited, will be sold on **"As is where is", "As is what is" and "Whatever there is" basis in e-auction on 30.12.2021 between 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.** for recovery of the balance due to "The Shriram Housing Finance Limited" from the Borrowers And Guarantors, as mentioned in the table. Details of Borrowers and Guarantors, amount due, Short Description of the immovable property and encumbrances known thereon, possession type, reserve price and earnest money deposit & increment are also given as:

Name of Borrowers/ Co-Borrowers/ Guarantors/Mortgagers	Date & Amount of 13(2) Demand Notice	Description of Property	Reserve Price (Rs.) & Bid Increment	Earnest Money Deposit Details (EMD) Details.	Date & Time of Auction	Contact Person and Inspection date
Mrs. S R Jyothi, Mr. H Rangaiah & Mr. Rakshith R. **R/At: No. 74/11, 8th Main Road, 4th Block, Near Balaji Medicals, Nandini Layout, Bangalore – 560 096** **Also At: No. 48/1, 11th Main Road, 4th Block, Near Balaji Medicals, Nandini Layout, Bangalore – 560 096** **Also At: Mrs. S R Jyothi, Lakshmi Botic, No. 74/11, 8th Main Road, 4th Block, Near Balaji Medicals, Nandini Layout, Bangalore – 560 096** **Also At: Mr. H Rangaiah, Propreitor, S R Electronics, Shop No. 09, Srinivasa Temple, 11th Cross, Mahalakshmi Puram, Bangalore – 560 086** **Also At: Mr. Rakshith R M/S. Vaikunta Enterprises Working As Accounts Manager, No. 544, 1st Main, 1st Block, R T Nagar, Bangalore – 560 032**	Rs. 26,35,240/- (Rupees Twenty Six Lakh Thirty Five Thousand Two Hundred and Forty Only) in respect of Loan Account No. SHLHBANA000023 6 as on 13.08.2021 with further interest and other costs, charges and expenses. Date: 19.08.2021 **Date of Possession & Possession Type** **27.10.2021 Physical Possession** **Encumbrances known** Not Known	**All that piece and parcel of the Residential Property bearing Site No. 584, Assessment No. 17/1, Old Assessment No. 17, measuring East to West: 40 Ft and North to South: 30 Ft, in all measuring 1200 Sq Ft, Situated at 3rd Main Road, Kalika Nagara, Andrahalli Village, Yeshwanthapura Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, Bangalore presently within the limits of BBMP, Ward No. 40 and bounded on the: East by : Road. West by: Site No. 605. North by : Site No. 585. South by : Site No. 583.**	Rs. 42,00,000/- (Rupees Forty Two Lakhs Only) Bid Increment: Rs. 50,000/- and in such multiples. **Earnest Money Deposit (EMD) (Rs.)** Rs. 4,20,000/- (Rupees Four Lakhs Twenty Thousand Only) **Last date for submission of EMD 28th December 2021 Time 10.00 a.m. to 05.00 p.m.**	EMD amount to be deposited by way of RTGS/ NEFT to the account details mentioned herein below: **BANK NAME-** AXIS BANK LIMITED **BRANCH-** BANDRA KURLA COMPLEX, MUMBAI **BANK ACCOUNT NO-** Current Account No. 911020013220315 **IFSC CODE-** UTIB0000230	**30th Dec. 2021. Time: 11.00 a.m. to 01.00 p.m.**	**Prashanth +919035211772** **Customer care: 022 - 40081572.** **Property Inspection Date: 10th December 2021 Time 11.00 a.m. to 04.00 p.m.**

For detailed terms and conditions of the sale, please refer to the link http://shriramhousing.in/e-auction-Residential.php provided in the Shriram Housing Finance Limited website.

Place : Bangalore
Date : 22.11.2021

Sd/- Authorised Officer
Shriram Housing Finance Limited

CLASSIFIEDS

PUBLIC NOTICE
CHANGE OF NAME

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **NALINI,** W/o Rajan, age 54 years, R/at No. 7, 2nd Cross, Banjara Layout, Horamavu, Trinity Enclave, Bangalore-43 do hereby declare that I have changed my name from **NALINI BERNARD** to **NALINI**, henceforth I shall be known and called as **NALINI** only for all purposes, vide affidavit dated 20th Nov. 2021, sworn before Advocate and Notary **D. Gunashekar** at Bangalore.

AFFIDAVIT

I, **Uppunda Chetan Pundalika Padiyar** , S/o. Uppunda Pundalika Padiyar, R/at, # 574, 1st Floor, 9th C Main, 8th Cross RPC Layout, Hampinagar, Bangalore - 560 104, hereby declare that my name is mentioned as **Uppunda Chetan Pundalika Padiyar** in all Documents whereas, in SSLC Marks Card it is mentioned as **Chetan Pundalika Padiyar Uppunda.** Both the above stated names are of one and same person. I request through this affidavit to consider my name as **UPPUNDA CHETAN PUNDALIKA PADIYAR.** Sworn before M. K. Devaki Notary, Bangalore wide affidavit dated 06.09.2021.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **Kum.JOSHITA NARAYANAM,** D/o, Sri. Sudheer Kumar Narayanam, aged about 18 years, Residing at No.16/16A, SF-2, 3rd Floor, Ratna Deepaka, Apartments, Jattappa Layout, Kanakapura Road, Yelchenahalli, Bangalore-560078, have changed my name from **JOSHITHA.N** to **JOSHITA NARAYANAM,** vide affidavit dated:19-11-2021, sworn before Advocate & Notary, Hegde Ganapati Venkatraman, Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **Mrs. MUJEEBUNNISSA** W/o mr. Pyarejan, Major in age, R/at E3/254, Kaverinagar, near Abbobaker Masjid, Bangalore-45, Karnataka, India do hereby declare that I have changed my name from **MUJEEBUNNISSA to ZEENATHUNNISSA**, henceforth I shall be known and called as **ZEENATHUNNISSA** only for all purposes, vide affidavit dated 19-11-2021, sworn before 40th Chief Metro Magistrate Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, SUSAN THOMAS, aged about 37 years, W/o Raji Koshy Chakkalayil, R/at No. 83/1, 16th Main, 4th Cross, Behind St. Francis School, Hongasandra, Bengaluru - 560 068, shall hence forthbe known as **SUSAN RAJI**, vide affidavit dated 20.11.2021 before Notary K.V Mani, Bangalore

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **MEHWISH AHMED NAZIR,** D/O MOHAMMED NAZIR AHMED, aged 28 years, Residing at No.32, 3rd A Cross, 18th Main, BTM Layout, 2nd Stage, Bengaluru-560076, declare that **MEHWISH AHMED** and **MEHWISH AHMED NAZIR** D/O MOHAMMED NAZIR AHMED,both the names are one and the same i.e., mine only, vide affidavit dated:20-11-2021, sworn before Advocate & Notary, B.Hanumantharaya, Bengaluru.

₹19,712 cr invested in Indian markets by Foreign Portfolio Investors (FPIs) so far in November

All about Investing in NFTs and related risks

The digital asset is increasingly gaining traction among commoners ever since celebrities started using the term

UMA KANNAN @ Bengaluru

MOVE over Bitcoins and cryptocurrencies-Non-fungible tokens (NFT)) are the new kid on the block creating curiosity and buzz among 'enterprising' and savvy investors.

Ever since Bollywood and cricket stars started using the term NFT, it has created quite a buzz among the commoners. These stars are launching digital memorabilia through NFT with a view to cash in on growing interest in this digital asset. After Bollywood stars Amitabh Bachchan and Salman Khan, singer Sonu Nigam too recently joined the NFT bandwagon to launch the music industry's NFT series.

Digital Collectibles

What is an NFT and why is it being used widely now in India? Like physical money, cryptocurrencies are fungible as they can be traded, but in the case of non-fungible tokens, one token is not equal to the other.

"Non-Fungible Tokens (NFTs) are blockchain-based digital assets (or artifacts) that are unique. No two NFTs are the same and these are what you can consider as a digital collectible. That is, they are not mutually interchangeable and cannot be exchanged with one another. Hence, the name 'non-fungible' and this is what makes them different from cryptocurrencies that are fungible," explains investment advisor and founder of StableInvestor Dev Ashish.

He adds that the NFTs are recorded on a blockchain that serves as a continuous record of ownership. A person buying NFT can sell it to someone else and the blockchain, like a ledger, will always record the creator's name and those of subsequent owners.

One of the important highlights of the NFTs is that this would open new opportunities for musicians, artists and also investors. Beyond art, even entertainment, gaming, real estate and sports will be huge beneficiaries in the future. All kinds of properties – be it event tickets or tweets -- can have their ownership tokenised. Every time the NFT is transacted, artists/owners get royalty each time and also income.

Tweet worth $2.9 million

In March this year, Twitter CEO Jack Dorsey sold his first-ever tweet as a NFT for $2.9 million. NFL Player Rob Gronkowski has put many numbers of NFTs up for sale and all these features Super Bowl highlights. He had said in an interview that he heard about the digital collectible space during the 2020 NFL season and that this space is "exploding".

Indian cricket player Dinesh Karthik recently tweeted, "I'm so pumped about the auction for India's very first sporting NFT.. I'm also giving the top bidder a precious item from my personal collection: the (autographed) jersey I was wearing during the 2018 Nidahas Trophy Match!"

Last month, artist Eva Beylin posted a meme 'Love in The Time of Web3' (a couple admiring the prices of bitcoin and ether) which was reposted by Elon Musk on Twitter. Soon, she listed the same as an NFT on a marketplace that is now priced at $19,800.

So, if you are holding any NFTs, then you might end up sitting on a sizable fortune, as a recent report pegs the global NFT market at $250 million in 2020 and it will increase with a booming CAGR between 2021 and 2026.

Investment in NFTs

There are many marketplaces that help you invest in NFTs. Since the US market is booming now, there are many major players such as OpenSea and The Sandbox, and in India, there are players like WazirX and CoinSwitch Kuber, but the Indian market is at a very nascent stage.

OpenSea's trading volume crossed over $200 million in August 2021 compared to under $100,000 in December 2020. OpenSea, which was founded in 2017, holds more than 60 million NFTs.

Its CEO and co-founder Devin Finzer in a blog post says NFTs are emerging as one of the first consumer-oriented killer applications for blockchains.

"NFTs represent the building blocks for brand new peer to peer economies, where users have greater freedom and ownership over their data, and developers can build powerful, interoperable applications to provide real economic value to users," he says.

Investment advisor Ashish said there is a growing interest in this use-case of blockchain and the NFT based collectible market will remain a niche use case for NFTs. But that in no way means that there won't be other use-cases.

"Investors are gradually becoming aware of NFTs but awareness in general is still low. Most people are still unable to wrap their heads around the real concept of blockchain. It's still early days. Also, like cryptocurrencies, this is an unregulated space. So even though there is a lot of hype around cryptos and NFTs, it is best to avoid getting sucked into the euphoria. Most investors are better off sticking to established assets like equity, debt, gold, real estate, etc. If one really has to invest in this space, it's better to be cautious, understand this space first before deciding to invest," he opines.

Associated risks

When asked about investment in NFTs, financial advisors opine that there are a lot of risks in the NFT space as anyone can create NFTs.

"There are a lot of phony and non-precious NFTs floating around as precious ones. Like art, even NFTs require a trained eye to decide whether an NFT is really worth investing in or not. There are other frauds as well like Wash trading, where multiple accounts operate in tandem to artificially pump up the price of NFT to make them seem valuable. Then there is a fraud risk. Hackers can copy an NFT token, and unsuspecting people can end up buying the fake NFT, which practically has no value. People need to be sure how to check the authentication of an NFT token before buying it digitally," says Dev Ashish.

In the cryptocurrency draft bill, the government is planning to define NFTs and also aiming to provide an outline on the same. This move will boost both the players and investors in the space.

Non-fungible tokens creating buzz

If fan engagement increases, the NFT collectibles market will thrive. Various reports say that NBA's Top Shoot blockchain product of LeBron James' highlight sold for $200,000.

Gaming industry is thriving because of NFTs as gaming companies create a game character and are using NFTs to get ownership of the created character.

Amitabh Bachchan's 'Madhushala' NFT collection contains autographed posters and collectibles. It received the highest bidding at $756,000 during the auction. He rolled out his NFT collection in August this year on BeyondLife.club platform

Digital entertainment and technology company JetSynthesys has partnered with Sonu Nigam to launch the NFT series. The company is backed by Sachin Tendulkar who has invested $2 million.

Brandessence Market research noted 328% growth in NFT transactions during the first half of 2021. According to DappRadar, a NFT and DeFi dapp store, NFT sales volume surged to $10.7 bn in the third quarter of 2021, up over eightfold from previous quarter.

MONEY-WISE

INVEST IN SIMPLICITY!

EVERY CXO has a justification of his/her NFO. In fact, the Mutual fund industry does one NFO every alternate day! Thank God for small mercies that they are not allowed to change the face value or the issue price.

Many of us may not need the Coffee fund from Brazil or the Pharma fund which invests in start-ups in Israel, Japan, and China fund.

I see portfolios with 12-15 schemes very regularly - and this would be in 3 large-cap funds, 3 Mid-cap funds, 2 small-cap funds, 5 debt funds and the rest in 'Balanced Advantage Fund'.

Then there are 3-4 Children plans (mostly ULIP), Pension Plan, Endowment plan and the obvious PPF, NPS, Company Provident fund, bank fixed deposits, a demat account with a bunch of direct equity, some government bonds, etc.

FINANCIAL ADVICE

PV SUBRAMANYAM

writes at www.subramoney.com and has authored the best seller 'Retire Rich - Invest ₹ 40 a day'

This 'portfolio' is created by an investor along with his AGENT. For the richer clients there could be one or two PMS schemes to add to this noise.

Investments are an important part of the Financial planning process. You need investments to help you buy a house, replace cars, and meet many other financial goals, but hey, it does not have to be so long.

Imagine if the Lord or Master of the house dies tonight.

How will his not-so-enthusiastic widow react to this portfolio? I guess she will ask the following questions:

Why so many funds?

What is the purpose of each fund - did you have any specific goal in mind?

How am I supposed to liquidate them - in which order?

Will this last till my lifetime?

How do I manage this complex portfolio?

Why did you not nominate me in 4 folios where your brother is the second holder?

Why is there a spelling mistake in my name in xyz mutual fund?

How can you avoid this scenario in your house?

It is simple. Sit with your family and discuss your portfolio. Your spouse and children over 14 should know enough about your investments. If they feel this is too complex - ask yourselves (and them) as to how to reduce the complexity.

Shift mutual funds from dividend schemes to growth schemes.

Make sure that all units are held in joint names and there is a nominee.

Make your will - it does not cost much, and it is very important if you have a piece of real estate in your name - even if you and your spouse are holding it in Joint names. Do it today. Sorry, do it NOW.

If your family does not want to handle such a complicated portfolio, simplify it!

Teach them how to smell opportunities and the power of compounding, index funds, Term insurance, and simple index funds. Tell them the power of Focus - and the importance of simplicity.

Learn to control your ego - it takes a great toll on your portfolio and your health!

WHAT TO EXPECT IN 2022

RAJAS KELKAR

SOUMYADIP SINHA

THE year after the great bounce-back carries expectations. At times, it becomes a burden too. Over the past 12 months, even an index fund delivered near 40% return. Last year, we quoted a Morgan Stanley report that predicted the BSE Sensex to be at 51000 at the end of December 2021. The index has far exceeded that expectation. If you invested in diversified equity thematic and sectoral funds, you could have possibly even doubled your money. Directly buying shares was even more rewarding to many. Share prices of some companies have jumped multi-fold in just a year.

That puts a lot of pressure on the year ahead. Anyone investing regularly in the stock market would know that a repeat performance is not easy. Many expectations have to be met for stock markets to generate a higher return over the next couple of years.

As we already say in this column, today's share prices function of tomorrow's profits. With share prices trading at record-high levels, the earnings for the next two years are already in the current price. For any further movement, markets need to see that businesses are likely to do even better in the years ahead. Analysts tracking sectors would wait for the two quarters of the next financial year before predicting future profits.

Curve ahead

While there is a prediction of a steady profit path for major listed companies in the year ahead, a real risk to financial markets is inflation. We know that persistently high inflation keeps interest rates firm. That has a further impact on the borrowing by businesses for expansion. As significant economies look to adjust to a new world post the Covid-19 pandemic, any change of direction by the United States in the stated low-interest-rate policy could trigger a global selloff.

For India, the recovery is just about the beginning. The year ahead is way too crucial for sustaining growth and creating economic expansion.

In a speech last week, the RBI governor Shaktikanta Das explained the economic recovery scenario. Demand driven by private consumption is the most significant contributor to the economic growth in India. You need people to earn well and spend money. He pointed out that the demand for work under the Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Act or MNREGA remains higher than the pre-Covid levels. That means people are still in their villages looking for a job and unable to get back to their employment in cities and towns. "Daily wage earners and workers at the lower rungs of the society have incurred significant losses of income and employment during the pandemic that will take time to repair," he said. He added that small businesses have also been hit harder and would require support to recover and achieve their full employment potential.

The speech sums up the state of the economy. It is amply clear that even if corporate profits stay on course next year, the demand driven by private consumption will continue to find feet in 2022. That means businesses may take their time to expand capacity.

Your money in 2022

Inflation is the most significant risk for your money in 2022. A persistently high consumer price inflation would mean borrowing rates set by RBI now will stay where they are if not go up immediately. If the US decides to hike interest rates, that may not lead to interest rates rising in India immediately. However, the action would hurt the capital flows into equity and debt markets worldwide. When US interest rates go up, global institutional investors prefer assets denominated in the US dollar than in any other currency. Although India may do well in government finances, checking inflation, rapid disinvestment, foreign investors may go slow or pull out money. That may just turn out to be a blessing in disguise for Indian investors who are looking to get going with their investment. A year ago, this column suggested hiring a professional advisor. If you have done it, work with your advisor as a team. If you have not done it yet, it is time to get going with it. There is enough excitement in the market in the year ahead.

(The author is editor and publisher at www.moneyminute.in)

EXPRESS READ

Maruti to stay away from diesel segment

New Delhi: Maruti Suzuki India (MSI) has ruled out getting back into the diesel segment as it believes sale of such vehicles would further come down with the onset of the next phase of emission norms in 2023. "We are not going to be in the diesel space. We had indicated earlier that we will study it and if there is customer demand we can make a comeback. But going forward, we will not be participating in the diesel space," MSI Chief Technical Officer C V Raman told PTI.

FinMin notifies 12% GST on MMF, yarn, fabrics

New Delhi: The finance ministry on Sunday has notified uniform 12% GST rate on manmade fibre (MMF), yarn, fabrics and apparel, thereby addressing the inverted tax structure in the MMF textile value chain. Currently, tax rate on MMF, MMF yarn and MMF fabrics is 18%, 12% and 5%, respectively. The taxation of inputs at higher rates than finished products created build up of credits and cascading costs.

TODAY'S STOCK PICK

BSE

Current Price ₹1,621

Target Price ₹1,800

BSE saw its market share increase in both the cash equity and derivatives segments in 2QFY22, which it attributed to interoperability by some of brokers and listing of IPOs. The management expects a gradual increase in market share, which will drive equity volumes for the company.

— Motilal Oswal Securities Limited

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Strategise putting your money in the current wave of new-age businesses

PANKAJ CHOPRA

DURING the history of mankind, there have been a few defining events that led to progress at a disruptive pace. The biggest of such disruptions was 'Industrialisation' in the first half of the 19th century. Another such disruptive event was the use of Information Technology and the creation of a world wide web also called the Internet which started to gather pace during the 1990s. We experienced significant changes as information was more freely available and businesses went online. There were many new business models that came up which led to the famous 'Dot Com' boom and bust thereafter.

At that time, there was a great rush to try and consolidate position. At the peak, we heard of terms like 'eye balls' i.e. the number of people visiting a website and 'burn rate' which meant the rate at which the company was making losses, as an indicator of the aggression of the business model. Everyone was in a hurry and all attempts were being made to increase the valuation of the business with an eye to cash out. Many did, many got stuck after the bust and many businesses could not scale up to ever be in the reckoning.

The current wave of new-age businesses is an extension of the same philosophy of using IT and the internet to improve and make more efficient, the existing business models. The difference we see is that there are many companies that have been around for several years and have a tested business model. However, similarities with the last time relate to a focus on increasing valuation and poor financial performance of these businesses. While we have not reached the stage of valuation based on eye balls this time around, many businesses are burning cash to consolidate their market share and aggressively win over customers.

The euphoria in the listed equity markets since the bottom in March/April 2020 has had its own effect on such new-age companies. With valuation of listed companies more than doubling on the average, the valuation of unlisted and even early-stage companies has gone up manyfold over this period. We are reading in the papers of large deals being done by private equity players where they have been committing large sums of capital to new ventures or are cashing out on some of their previous investments. Abundance of flows, as reflected in the listed equities market is also prevalent in the unlisted markets.

The cashing out of private equity players can happen either by stake sale to another private equity player at higher valuations or by selling part of whole of their stake in a company to the public via an initial public offering (IPO). Increased strength and heightened activity in the markets have led to some of the large and well known brands opting for listing in the recent past.

With keen interest seen from the investing community in new-age businesses, shares have been offered at rich valuations to the public. The consequent even higher valuations on listing and significant short-term profits for the initial public shareholders have further accentuated the interest in such companies. In this matter, it is clear that investors are taking a view that 'the trend is your friend' and expect the share prices to keep rising.

Many of these companies, due to the current stage in their life cycle, are not profitable. Some are even continuing in the game of consolidating their position while increasing losses. It is therefore quite uncertain as to 'if' and 'when' these companies will make profits at the net level and have cash flows to pay investors through dividends. In the interim, investors can only look forward to stock price appreciation as a means of generating returns on the investment made.

While it is unclear what will happen next, looking at the experience of some of the established players in the West, we conclude that there will be a few winners in this exercise, and these few will achieve much higher valuations. However, there are bound to be many losers along the way. Investors who look to invest in a new-age company should be comfortable holding onto its shares for the long term, have a fairly high level of conviction that they have a winner and posses the wherewithal to suffer significant losses if things do not work out. If you believe you do not have all the above abilities, please reassess your investment strategies to determine if such investments are suitable for you.

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Hamilton cruises to victory in Qatar

Lewis Hamilton won Sunday's inaugural Qatar Grand Prix with a commanding performance from pole to cut Max Verstappen's world championship lead to eight points. The Mercedes seven-time champion held off his arch Dutch rival's Red Bull by a country mile under the Losail circuit's lights to leave the battle for the F1 drivers' crown delicately poised with only two races remaining.

'I'M WALKING AWAY AS A PROUD MAN'

At a function in Chennai on Saturday, former India coach **Ravi Shastri** pulled back the curtain to pour his heart out on a fruitful last seven years. **Venkata Krishna B** listened in...

Ravi Shastri, whose tenure as head coach ended with the recently concluded T20 World Cup, is India's most successful coach ever. During a seven-year tenure across two periods, the Indian team became the first Asian side ever to win a Test series in Australia and managed to defend the Border-Gavaskar Trophy Down Under. The period also saw India win an ODI and T20I series in South Africa, Australia, New Zealand for the first time and win Test series in Sri Lanka, West Indies apart from taking a 2-1 lead in England. Former BCCI president N Srinivasan called Shastri 'incomparable' at a function on Saturday. The 59-year-old Shastri took time to speak to Express. Excerpts from an interview.

In 2014, when N Srinivasan handed over the job, you mentioned he believed in you more than you did...
Naturally. Because I had never done a job like this. So to suddenly be thrown into the deep end and I knew if I accepted it, it would be a huge challenge. And that's how I looked at it at this stage. But clearly, he had enough confidence in my ability to force me to do the job.

When did you actually believe you can crack this?
I did have a real belief in that team that they can do much better than what they were doing then. They could play a much better style of cricket, a different brand of cricket you know, that would make them a team to beat in the long run. So the endeavour was to focus in that direction and luckily everything fell into place.

Why did you choose to leave on a high?
There is a time for everything. We have done it for seven years and in these tough times, you need a break. I was not 45 or 50 anymore. And when you travel non-stop, long time away from home and family, it is hard. Basically, whatever I wanted to achieve with them, I more than accomplished more than that. So I thought it is the right time to leave and so that the team gets someone new with fresh ideas to take them forward. So it was a conscious decision taken in England itself. Especially with times like quarantine and bubble, it wasn't easy at all.

Q&A

In 2014 you said this team will be No 1 Test side and they ended up being one. How was it to see the team walk the talk?
The moment I said it, I knew it would rile the media. That was for sure. There was no question about it because it would raise a few eyebrows. But what it would also do to my team is that they will see that this is what your coach believes in you. And throw them a challenge as well.

You have made comments like 'this is the best-ever Indian team' when the team was yet to win a series overseas. In the last year, you have not made such statements. Why so?
Till then people were thinking I was speaking in Spanish and French. Finally, they understood I was speaking in English. I did not need to repeat myself.

You have watched a lot of cricket. Are the last seven-eight years the most challenging for batsmen?
I would think so, especially in the last three-four years. Teams have preferred to take a lot more of a home advantage than ever before. That is the best way to put it. I thought from 2014 to 2016 it was fine but in the last three-four years, the home advantage part has been much more. I'm not saying it was not there before, but they have upped the ante.

Do the tours of South Africa and England in 2018 still hurt you?
Not at all... because that is where I saw the team making the transition. I was extremely happy with the way the team played. The result may have been 2-1 in South Africa and 4-1 in England, but I knew it was going to be the start of something special. At least there were signs of us competing and in all those eight Test matches, there were results in all and we won two and lost six... right. Out of those six Tests, we had a chance in at least four. So that was the first positive sign for me. I didn't care about what people said in the media or what they said on television. It didn't matter to me because I knew the transition is happening. And I saw the wheels were turning big time and the rest is history and the result since then is there for everyone to see.

In this phase, the spotlight was on Cheteshwar Pujara and Ajinkya Rahane. Did you think of looking beyond them?
It is very easy to just get rid of players if they failed in one or two innings. But you should know experience is not sold in the market and it can't be bought. It is something you earn and unless you have a replacement, double that experience, when it comes to quality, you should not be thinking. And it is easier to do those changes at home than in overseas because it demands experience and you should show faith in your boys. And I feel that made a difference.

You developed a very good Test side. How do you see the ODI team? Do you feel it didn't perform to the expectations?
No... Actually, I would say the team deserved at least two ICC titles during my tenure. I would say that any day. The World Test Championship to be decided by one game, I always thought is not fair because you had been the No 1 for five years. For me, that was the most disappointing thing because we didn't even draw that game to have a hand on that ICC trophy. In the 2019 World Cup, I thought we played fabulous cricket except for 10 minutes the next morning when the game got carried into the reserve day. It made a change. But otherwise, across the globe we beat every team in white-ball cricket in their own den. Every team we hammered at times in their own backyard. When you have a success rate of close to 70 percent across all formats, you can't ask for anything more. If you had told me at the start of the tenure after seven years this is the kind of record you will have, I would have said thank you. Because there is only one sporting team that may have such a record and that would be the All Blacks (New Zealand rugby side). So it is one thing to be greedy and another to be over greedy. So yes, one disappointing thing is we didn't have a couple of ICC titles and our best chance was 2019 and the WTC final.

Did lack of a settled No 4 cost that 2019 title?
I mean, you have to go with what you have. If the game had not carried on to reserve day and it happened continuously, we would have beaten New Zealand for sure because the momentum was with us and we had bowled well to restrict them. The moment it carried to another day and you lose three wickets in the first 10 minutes then whether you have a No 4 or you don't have one or you have a No 5, the pressure is on and that is where we lost the game. The game carried forward to the next day and New Zealand came out strong.

Did you have a philosophy to follow as a coach?
My philosophy was simple: play to win, compete hard and fair against all teams and develop a mindset where you are fearless and look at the opponent in the eye. Something is said at you or a word is spoken against you, be ready to give three back. And it didn't matter who the side was or who the player was.

The attitude was to be tough and to want to compete and win. You look back at the last five years, it is amazing. Once we finished the T20 World Cup, I was amazed at the overwhelming response from the media, friends, and fans. The media, who have been my staunchest critics, to say what they did was very satisfying more than anything. In the end it has been a tenure which has been very rewarding. I've left the dressing room a very proud man because the boys did much better than I ever imagined. To win in Australia and England is special, but to do it in a certain style was very pleasing to see.

Were the critics lot harsher on you and expected more?
Expected what else ya? Close to 70 per cent winning ratio is not good enough? Back-to-back series wins in Australia, series lead in England, white-ball sucess. I'm also a human ya. Sometimes those guys have to look in the mirror and ask the question, 'what have we done in our life?' That would give them the best answer.

What is the legacy you are leaving behind?
The legacy would be this team played with a never say die attitude and no one could write them off. And if you did, it was at your own peril as simple as that. You have seen a lot of careers grow, lot of players become great players, and have seen some evolve in a manner that is absolutely fantastic, you have seen stunning results from nowhere. I mean three of the four Tests we won in the last year have been after conceding the first-innings lead, which is what the legacy is. The never say die attitude. To believe the game is not over until it is.

In defeats especially, you were like a punching bag and even the social media trolls were directed at you... did it take the pressure off the team?
The beauty is I don't read or even know about it. It makes no difference. You won't get a thicker skin than this boss. For me, just the team matters. And I give a rat's ass to everything else.

India's Axar Patel (L) celebrates the dismissal of New Zealand's Glenn Phillips during the third T20I in Kolkata, on Sunday | AP

Three cheers for Rohit & Co

ASHIM SUNAM @ Bengaluru

WITH India having already pocketed the T20I series against New Zealand a couple of days back, it provided the new team management an opportunity to try other players in the third T20I at the Eden Gardens in Kolkata on Sunday. If one has followed Rahul Dravid during his India A and U-19 coaching days, he prefers giving players good game time. Likewise, India decided to rest R Ashwin and KL Rahul as Yuzvendra Chahal and Ishan Kishan featured in the playing XI.

At the toss, it was evident that the team wanted to test themselves. After calling it right, Rohit Sharma decided to bat first and see how they would fare defending a total under dew. India came up with their best all-round display to clinch the game by 73 runs and the series 3-0 too.

Openers Rohit and Kishan helped India get off to a solid start. They were 69/0 in the first six overs. The challenge that the Indian team were looking for came immediately seventh over onwards. India lost Kishan, Suryakumar Yadav, Rishabh Pant and Sharma between the 7-12th over.

Shreyas Iyer (25) and Venkatesh Iyer (20) shouldered responsibility with some good boundaries. However, what might have pleased Dravid and Co would be the contribution from the number eight batter Harshal Patel (11-ball 18) and number nine Deepak Chahar (8-ball 21) at the end which powered India to 184/7.

With India defending a total for the first time in the series, it was expected to be a big test. But, India looked a dominant team as New Zealand were reduced to 22/2 inside the first three overs. Barring Martin Guptill's half-century, none of the Kiwi batters impressed with slow left-arm Axar Patel (3/9) making life tough for the Black Caps. **Brief scores:** India 184/7 in 20 ovs (Rohit 56, Santner 3/27) **bt** New Zealand 111 in 17.2 ovs (Guptill 51, Axar 3/9).

Ole Goner Solskjaer

A 1-4 loss to Watford was the trigger for Manchester United to fire Ole Gunnar Solskjaer but in truth, it was many months in the making. A look at where it failed and the way forward...

STRUCTURAL FAILINGS

The problems of course won't stop now that the manager has been fired. In truth, the club needs an overhaul including fresh faces at the top management. Most modern clubs have a sophisticated approach but that's not the case at United. The people calling the shots — including chief executive Ed Woodward who himself will leave shortly — are good at making money but aren't necessarily good at taking footballing decisions.

A FRAGILE MIDFIELD

The Norwegian jumped at the chance to sign Cristiano Ronaldo but failed to address the squad's biggest problem area: midfield. It's too slow, suffers from a lack of creativity and isn't press resistant. In short, it's a midfield built for another age. And playing Paul Pogba has only exacerbated their problems. For the new manager, the first task is to look at this area of the pitch.

WHERE IS THE DEFENCE

Custodian David de Gea has been back to his best this season but the men immediately in front of him have regressed. Harry Maguire, Luke Shaw, Eric Bailly, Aaron Wan Bissaka and Victor Lindelof have all been culpable of mistakes. That they have the third worst defence in the league this season is a fair reflection of how their defence has played.

AN INTERIM TILL THE END OF THE SEASON

Eric ten Haag (Ajax), Mauricio Pochettino (PSG) and Zinedine Zidane (free agent) are some of the big names the club is after. For now, they are seeking an interim appointment (Michael Carrick will take charge of the forthcoming names). Whoever walks in now will not only have to stabilise an imbalanced squad but will have to lead them to a top-four finish. It could get darker yet before light.

EXPRESS READ

Sukant wins gold, Pramod bags 3 silver medals

KAMPALA: India's Sukant Kadam claimed a gold at the Uganda Para Badminton International while compatriot Pramod Bhagat settled for three silver medals here. Kadam beat fellow Indian Nilesh Balu Gaikwad 21-16, 17-21, 21-10 in men's singles summit clash in the SL4 category.

SC East Bengal held in ISL

VASCO: SC East Bengal and Jamshedpur FC played out an intense 1-1 draw in ISL here. Both goals came from set pieces. Franjo Prce (17') scored a delightful opener for the Red and Golds while Peter Hartley (45+3) equalised just before half time.

Shaheen regrets throw

KARACHI: Pakistan pacer Shaheen Shah Afridi has personally apologised to Bangladesh batter Afif Hussain after hitting him with a throw during the second T20 between the two teams in Dhaka. He has also been fined 15 per cent of match fees for his actions.

Vedansh, Charmi clinch tennis titles

BENGALURU: Vedansh Reddiyar and Charmi Gopinath registered contrasting victories to emerge as the boys and girls champions respectively in the FSA AITA CS& U-18 Championship here on Saturday. If Vedansh beat Sehaj Singh Pawar 1-6, 6-3, 6-4, Charmi defeated Vanya Srivastava 6-4, 6-4 to walk with their respective titles.

SYED MUSHTAQ ALI TROPHY

Top two from South fight for bragging rights

ASHIM SUNAM @ Bengaluru

IN the last three editions of the Syed Mushtaq Ali Trophy, Karnataka and Tamil Nadu have reigned supreme like no other. The former has clinched the title twice while the latter took home the trophy last season and finished runners up two seasons ago to Karnataka. Their dominance has continued this ongoing season, with both teams set for the 'Southern Derby' final at the Arun Jaitley Stadium in Delhi on Monday.

Reaching three finals in the last four years is a tremendous achievement for both teams. What makes it even more significant is the unpredictability of the format. So where does their success lie? It is their domestic structure. Besides the presence of opportunities in state T20 competitions, their franchise based leagues laid the foundations of a strong base and bench strength. If the Karnataka Premier League has hosted seven editions, the Tamil Nadu Premier League concluded its fifth season in August.

Manish Pandey

"It is probably with the T20 tournaments what we play in Karnataka, and also the KPL (last took shape in 2018-19). The same can be said for Tamil Nadu with their TNPL and their cricket. It has surely helped both Karnataka and Tamil Nadu in terms of how to go about their game in the T20 format," said Karnataka head coach Yere Goud. Both teams enter the final with solid cricket behind their belt with just one loss in the competition. In fact, Tamil Nadu, who won the title in the 2006-07 season too, have been brilliant with dominant wins over Kerala and Hyderabad. It is their all-round team effort. The likes of Vijay Shankar, C Hari Nishaanth and Sai Sudarshan have shared responsibility in the batting department while R Sai Kishore and Saravana Kumar have impressed with the ball too.

However, Tamil Nadu coach Venkataramana does not consider the title-decider to be an additional pressure. "I will not say that the final brings additional pressure. We had this pressure right from Day 1. We entered this competition as defending champions. What we have been doing regularly, we need to do that, get the basics right, it is just another game. I am sure the boys will be coping up to that final day to express themselves," he said. As far as Karnataka are concerned, Manish Pandey and Karun Nair have scored more than 200 runs. Abhinav Manohar and Rohan Kadam have impressed in the knockouts. It will also be interesting to see how the inexperienced pace attack comprising Vijaykumar Vyshak and Vidyadhar Patil feature in the big clash. However, Karnataka have come into the finals after overcoming some big pressure situations, which might help them.

Final live on Star Sports from 12 PM

Diljith & Tijil win on Day 2 of national racing

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Kochi

TEAM Dark Don had a fruitful outing on Day 2 with TS Diljith and Tijil Rao picking up wins in the LGB Formula 4 class in the second round of the 24th JK Tyre FMSCI National Racing Championship at the Kari Motor Speedway in Coimbatore on Sunday.

After a forgettable Saturday, Dark Don bounced back strongly to wrest the top three slots on the podium in both the LGB Formula 4 races.

While it was Ahura Racing's Amir Sayed who notched up his maiden win on Saturday, it was the turn of TS Diljith who went on to claim the top place on the podium in the first race. The Thrissur native had to fight off stiff competition from championship leader Vishnu Prasad, who trailed him throughout the race.

Results: JK Tyre Formula LGB4: (Race 2): 1. T.S. Diljith (Dark Don Racing) 23:10.852; 2. Tijil Rao (Dark Don) 23:18.310; 3. A. Sandeep Kumar (Dark Don) 23:18.521. **Race 3:** 1. Tijil Rao 21:34.441; 2. Sandeep Kumar 21:36.264; 3. Ashwin Datta (Dark Don) 21:36.452. **JK Tyre Novice Cup: (Race 2):** 1. Ruhaan Alva (MSport) 13:22.885, 2. Jaden R. Pariat (MSport) 13:23.794, 3. Joel Joseph (DTS Racing) 13:42.994; **(Race 3):** 1. Ruhaan Alva 21:08.051, 2. Jaden R Pariat 21:12.389, 3. Gaurav Kochar 21:12.949. **RE Continental GT Cup: (Race 2):** 1. Anfal Akdhar (Thrissur) 5:53.042, 2. Allwin Xavier (Thrissur) 5:53.387, 3. Raj Kumar (Coimbatore) 5:55.744.

Trident Super Kings players pose with the trophy in Bengaluru on Sunday

Trident Super Kings clinches title

BENGALURU: Trident Super Kings clinched the third Karnataka Open Trios Tenpin Bowling tournament in the city on Sunday. In the finals, based on cumulative pinfall of two games and played on Baker's format, they defeated top seed Gujarat Rollers. Trident, comprising of Akramullah Baig, Habeebur Rehman and Umesh Kumar, finished game 1 with 211 conceding a lead of 24 pins to the Rollers. In game 2, Trident came back, scoring 223 against 199 of Rollers, to level the scores after two games (434 – 434). Trident got a strike to Roller's 8 pins in the one-ball roll-off and won gold. **ENS**

Win for Xavi as Barca boss

AFP @ Barcelona

XAVI Hernandez made a winning start as Barcelona coach on Saturday as a dubious Memphis Depay penalty was enough to defeat local rivals Espanyol 1-0 in La Liga. Depay's strike at the start of the second half ensured Xavi's homecoming at Camp Nou ended in victory, but a nervy one.

City close gap on Chelsea

MANCHESTER: Raheem Sterling, Rodri and Bernardo Silva got the goals as Manchester City cruised to a 3-0 win over Everton to move within three points of Premier League leaders Chelsea. Late on Saturday night, Liverpool beat Arsenal 4-0 at Anfield.

'One District One Product'

Showcasing the special product of each district

The state of Uttar Pradesh is unique in many senses. It has diverse terrains, diverse crops and food, diverse climates, diverse community traditions and economic pursuits with a great diversity of crafts and industries. One of these unique qualities of this vast state is that each of its districts has one or more specialized indigenous products. Even small towns and districts are known for interesting and unique products typical of that area. This specialization has come from, in some cases, centuries of practicing a particular craft or process of production. While looking for ways to promote economic activities in the state, the Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath came up with the idea of harnessing this uniqueness of highly specialized products of various districts of the state. In January 2018, the state government came up with a plan to put to use this traditional talent and blend it with modern business practices to boost the local economies of the districts and at the same time that of the state.

The state government's economic initiative was therefore named as the 'One District, One Product (ODOP)' to promote such indigenous and specialized products and crafts. Initiated with a few districts, within no time the scheme was spread over all 75 districts of the state. At least one unique product of every district was identified and a policy framework was defined to make all

efforts to promote these products at national and international levels. Managerial, technical and financial problems of these industries were identified and measures necessary to do away with those issues were initiated. In no time, the scheme proved to be highly successful in empowering the rural and traditional economy. It has helped various indigenous products like flutes of Pilibhit, brass anklets and bells of Etah, horn and bone buttons of Sambhal, sports goods of Meerut, locks of Aligarh hit not only national but international markets with huge success. The scheme was so impressive that the union government decided to moot it at an all-India level and by now it has been adopted by a number of other states and Union Territories as well.

As of now, over 11,296 ODOP products are available on various e-commerce platforms. Business volumes of these products are poised to grow significantly as the modern tools and marketing assistance provided by the MSME department have made their reach limitless. This way, a combination of traditional skills and modern software have worked wonders.

To make the programme successful, the MSME department has set up Common Facility Centres (CFCs) to provide all necessary support to the artisans and entrepreneurs. It also undertook research of possibilities regarding production, development, marketing of products and many other essential business aspects. The department has also arranged for advertising, publicity and marketing opportunities at district, state, national and international levels.

The government also ensured financial support to the artisans and entrepreneurs. In the past 4.5 years, loans worth more than Rs. 8,875 crore have been given to ODOP units across the state. In the process of revival and expansion, these units have created more than 25 lakh new job opportunities.

To promote industries in villages a pilot project has been started in Prayagraj under which arrangements are being made for accommodation of the workers along with the training centre.

ODOP products of UP include ancient and nutritious 'Kala Namak' rice, the rare wheat-stalk craft, world-famous chikankari and zari-zardozi work on clothes, Goods as asafoetida, desi ghee, fancy glassware, bedsheets, jaggery, leather goods and the intricate and stunning horn-and-bone work, a nature-friendly replacement for ivory. Many of these products are GI-tagged. It is notable that before inclusion in the scheme, many of these industries had relegated to being extinct. Having been revived through modernization and publicization, these are now throbbing with high potential for growth.

Exports soar through 'ODOP'

Thanks to the 'One District One Product' (ODOP) scheme of Uttar Pradesh government, the state has recorded a quantum jump in exports in the past four and a half years. An impressive 38 % growth in exports was recorded in the last financial year. For the ODOP industries, the government prepared district-wise strategies while it entered into MoUs with online marketing platforms.

The state recently celebrated the achievement by honouring 71 exporters with the 'State Export Awards'. Global situations after the pandemic COVID-19 have changed a lot and it has created a big opportunity for Indian products in international markets. India is now trying to tap larger share of the international market. Uttar Pradesh has an important role in this effort and the ODOP products have emerged as great contributors to exports.

The growth of exports from UP is reflected in the fact that goods worth Rs. 34,282.89 crore were exported in the year 2016-17 while the exports in FY 2020-21 were worth Rs. 1,21,139.94 crore. The government has been extending all possible help to the exporters and entrepreneurs. The state accounts for 4.73 per cent of the country's total exports, but this share is more than nine times in the export of handicrafts. The export of handicraft products from UP account for 44 percent of the total handicraft exports of the country. Similarly, the contribution becomes even more significant with 39% of total exports of carpets and 26% of leather products.

For export promotion the government has made a system of constant contact, dialogue and quick resolution of problems with the exporters. Exporters are also honored in various categories. On September 22, the MSME and Export Promotion department felicitated 65 exporters for their contributions to exports from UP in 25 different categories.

ODOP's own e-commerce platform and app being developed

International success of the ODOP products has promoted the Yogi Adityanath government to think of carving out a distinct identity in the global market with the help of a devoted e-commerce platform for all ODOP products. Such a platform is likely to create more trust between the producer and the buyer and give a fillip to the business volume of these unique products of Uttar Pradesh.

This e-commerce platform and app for ODOP products, ODOP Mart, are being developed in association with Handicrafts Development and Marketing Corporation. Through this, the craftsmen or ODOP producers will be able to directly connect with customers around the world and deliver their products to them. Traders with GST registration would be able to sell their products on ODOP's e-commerce platform. However, ODOP artisans without GST registration will also be included as Sub-vendors.

On purchase through this platform, a direct message will be sent to the craftsmen and the helpline number will be told to keep their products ready. After this, the logistics partner will take the product from the concerned craftsman to the customers. This will benefit the craftsmen. Customers will also be guaranteed of the genuineness of the purchased products.

At present, there are around 11,296 ODOP products across 15 categories on the Flipkart, Amazon and eBay platforms. About 355 craftsmen have registered themselves on these platforms They have done business of more than 24 crores through this.

Gorakhpur set to become a readymade garments hub

Readymade Garments is the second ODOP product of Gorakhpur after Terracotta. After its inclusion in the ODOP Scheme, Gorakhpur is poised to become the hub of readymade garments. It is a business in which has highest capital to employment generation ratio. In Gorakhpur, more than 15.000 people have got direct employment in the readymade garments business with approximately Rs 350 Crore invested as capital. The government has fixed a target of getting 50,000 persons employed in the sector and necessary steps are being taken to achieve it. One of the measures being taken in this regard is setting up of a flatted factory for readymade garments in the Gorakhpur Industrial Development Authority (GIDA) area.

An important aspect of the readymade garmets industry in Gorakhpur is that thousands of workers having returned to their native places during the Covid-19 lockdowns have got employed in Gorakhpur itself. This ensures that they wouldn't have to go back to earlier places of their employment. This has also ensured that their skills would benefit the state economy. Many entrepreneurs in the field are new and have got into the industry with the support of the administration. The self-reliant package paved the way for easy loans to MSMEs. Traditional enterprises have also adapted themselves to the needs of the market, NITRA, an organization of the Union Ministry of Textiles, has trained entrepreneurs here.

CFCs to be set up in nine more districts

Common Facility Centers (CFCs) focusing on agricultural products will be set up in nine districts of the state where such agricultural products are included in the 'One District One Product scheme. These districts are Siddharthnagar, Gonda, Balrampur, Ayodhya, Auraiya, Kaushambi, Kushinagar, Pratapgarh and Muzaffarnagar. All these CFCs will be run by local entrepreneurs and farmers' groups. Around 6,000 farmers will be directly linked to these CFCs. Clusters of agro-based Industries are also to be set up in four districts with an investment of Rs. 15 crore. Micro Small and Medium Enterprises (MSME) and Khadi Department have jointly prepared an action plan for this two CFCs to be set up in Muzaffarnagar to promote jaggery based industries. A plant for jaggery will be set up at a cost of Rs 5.1 crore. Along with this, a CFC will also be set up in Siddharthnagar district to promote organic farming of Kala Namak Rice. This is to cost approximately Rs.6.96 crore. This CFC will provide facilities for processing, vacuum packing and temperature controlled warehousing of this premium rice. Other CFCs will be set up in Auraiya for desi ghee at Rs 1.5 crore; in Kaushambi for banana based products at a cost of Rs 8.44 crore; in Pratapgarh for for Amla based products at Rs 3.76 crore and in Ayodhya for jaggery at Rs 25 crore. Similarly, food processing plant will be set up at Gonda with Rs 9.35 crore, another food processing plant at Balrampur with Rs 12 crore and CFC for banana products at As 9.83 crore in Kushinagar.

More Agri products brought in ODOP ambit

In its constant efforts to expand the list of ODOP products, the UP government has announced inclusion of over 20 new agricultural products under its flagship ODOP scheme. This step of the government will not only protect and promote the uniqueness of these agricultural products but will also promote employment opportunities at the local level.". The government estimates that an investment of Rs 6,000 crore may be done and more than two lakh people are likely to get direct and indirect employment opportunities under this project.

The products that have been brought under the scheme include milk products of Aligarh, Bareilly, Bulandshahr, Kanpur Dehat. Jaunpur, Mathura, Auraiya and Kasganj; green chillies of Varanasi and Deoria; mangoes of Amroha, Lucknow, Sitapur and Unnao; fenugreek of Barabanki, Rampur, Sambhal, Sultanpur, Kalanamak rice of Basti, Siddharthnagar, Maharajganj, Sant Kabir Nagar and Gorakhpur; tomatoes of Chandauli, Mirzapur, Sonbhadra; bakery products of Gautam Budh Nagar, Ghaziabad, Kanpur Nagar, Moradabad and Saharanpur. Other products included under ODOP are asafoetida of Hathras, fish of Hamirpur and Tulsi of Azamgarh.

Kala Namak rice area grows five times

ODOP and other promotional efforts of the government have richly paid off in the case of Kala Namak rice that was on the verge of extinction. The cultivation area of this unique variety had receded so much that its extinction seemed imminent. Low yield and the time taken by the crop had prompted the farmers to switch to other options. However, its inclusion in ODOP gave it a new lease of life and in the past nearly four cropping cycles, the area under Kala Namak cultivation has grown five folds. With the area under cultivation rising from 10,000 hectares in 2010 to 50,000 hectares this year, the production has gone up and one can rest assured that this great rice variety will not be extinct.

This variety of rice has a very special relation with the Lord Buddha. Lord Buddha is said to have broken his fast by consuming 'kheer' made of the rice on the banks of River Haryanvati and also gave it to his disciples. The Buddha is also said to have given the grains of this rice to the farmers of the region and asked them to cultivate it. The GI (geographical indication) tagged Kala Namak rice is famous for its rich aroma, taste and health benefits. That is why the state government gave it as 'Prasad' of Lord Buddha to international Buddhist guests attending the inauguration ceremony of the Kushinagar International airport on October 20. Lord Buddha had attained Mahaparinirvana (breathed his last) in Kushinagar where the Prime Minister Narendra Modi inaugurated an international airport - the 29th in India and fourth in Uttar Pradesh. Kala Namak was listed for promotion under the ODOP (one district one product) scheme as a product of Siddhartha Nagar district, the place associated with the birth of Lord Buddha.

British Council to promote ODOP articles

The British Council will help promote 'One District, One Product' (ODOP) scheme in craft exhibitions in Britain. It will also display these products at an event proposed to be held next year in Britain on completion of 50 years of its Craft Council.

Jonathan Kennedy, director arts, British Council (India) also proposed to provide digital tools for this purpose.

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DAY'S DIARY

In a first

Pixar's *Toy Story* was released in theatres, becoming the first entirely computer-animated feature-length film

THE MIND BEHIND THE MOVIE

The movie's genius can be credited to animator and director John Lasseter, who realised early in his career that animation could be taken to a new level with the aid of computers

PATHBREAKING ANIMATION

The film's initial success had a huge effect on subsequent ones in this field. It signalled the end of cell animation, which degraded in value later

AWARD SEASON

Toy Story became the first animated film in Oscar history to be nominated for a Best Screenplay Academy Award - Adapted or Original

Aditi Sagar to play a key role in Veda

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BETWEEN STAGE & SCREEN

Bengaluru girl Sreya Muthukumar talks to *CE* about her debut role in new series *Akkad Bakkad Rafu Chakkar*

MONIKA MONALISA

TWENTY-four-year-old **Sreya Muthukumar** is no stranger to the stage. But as she makes her transition to the screen with a new show, Muthukumar is excited about this new chapter in her life. *Akkad Bakkad Rafu Chakkar*, which is premiering on Amazon Prime Video, required Muthukumar to go beyond her comfort zone to play a role that is new-age. The youngster, who is shuffling between Bengaluru and Mumbai, plays a character of Kushi who is in a lesbian relationship and becomes a part of a money heist. Though many might think of the role as a bold character to pick for a debut, Muthukumar says she was, in fact, looking for something like that. "One of the parts of the script that I really liked was that no one made a big deal about her relationship. It's just another aspect of her life," she says, adding that she feels great that she got a chance to bring an unusual character to life.

Having been a part of a city-based theatre group, Theatre Lab, where she performed several shows on stage, she does admit that working on this one was different. "Acting for the stage and the screen is different. It was great to get some understanding of the art of filmmaking while doing ads but, of course, to be on sets for a month and perform different kinds of scenes was challenging," says Muthukumar, who has been the face of many commercial advertisements like Bumble, Parachute Hair oil, HDFC bank and others.

Akkad Bakkad Rafu Chakkar has turned out to be a special one not just for her but for many of her co-stars like Vicky Arora, Anuj Rampal, Swati Semwal, Mohan Agashe, Shishir Sharma, Manish Chaudhari, and Sudhanshu Pandey. The show was directed by Raj Kaushal, who passed away in June 2021. Muthukumar says it was almost like they felt lost since "the captain of the ship was not there'. Recalling her interactions with Kaushal, she says. "There is a scene where my character is in a bathroom and turns the shower on and breaks down. He told me, 'Look you are wearing a saree and it is going to get wet and we can only shoot it once. It's a very tough scene and if you mess it up, we have to wait for four hours to reshoot. I believe in you so, show us what you can do'."

Muthukumar hopes that her coming-of-age character helps others women who are in same sex relationships. "There are many women who are in different kinds of relationships and have different desires. I don't know if people are getting convinced about it being real, but I hope someone who is in a similar relationship in a small town, feels the same when they watch it," she adds.

Sreya Muthukumar and Raj Kaushal

IN MEMORY

Akkad Bakkad Rafu Chakkar is directed by Raj Kaushal, who passed away in June. Upon the show's release, Kaushal's wife, Mandira Bedi, said, "It's Raj's pride. A story that excited him from the get go and which he executed with his gut. Because he is a soldier and a resilient one(sic)."

Dr Pushpa Dravid, Rahul Dravid's mother, whose latest works are displayed at UB City, tells us about her personal interest in various forms of art and how family egged her towards pursuing her ambitions

PORTRAIT OF AN ARTIST

ANILA KURIAN

IF Rahul Dravid has aced the field of cricket, his mother, Dr Pushpa Dravid, has carved a niche for herself in the world of art. She picked up paints and the palette at the age of five, and to this day, continues to create works that are much sought-after. Three of her most recent art works — ink on paper and a canvas work — are on display at Gallery Duomo on the 16th floor of UB City, at an exhibition curated by Harish Kumar Sejeken.

"The art space in Bengaluru has changed so much which makes me very happy. When I got married and moved to the city in the late '60s, there were barely any exhibitions or schools that taught the craft. Now, there are plenty of opportunities and many emerging artists from the city," says Dravid, for whom art is a creative expression of her thoughts and observations on life and the people around her.

The artist in Dravid looks for compositional balance, movement and rhythm in murals and painting. Besides canvas and acrylic, she has evolved a method of using burnt plastic that she's moulded in canvas to create alluring figures. Her first solo exhibition was in 1972 at the Visvesvaraya Industrial and Trade Centre, Kasturba Road, where she displayed plywood panels that she flaked out of wood to create the required effect. "I had submitted 10 of my paintings for the all-India exhibition and received positive feedback for my work too. The curator at the time, Manikam, asked me why I wasn't looking for work after having such good qualifications," recalls Dravid, who holds a Masters degree in art and a diploma in the same. She has recently acquired a PhD in art, a degree she got upon retirement. "My only answer to him then was that there weren't any opportunities in the city."

She went around Bengaluru, to various schools and colleges as she wanted to teach art.

"I didn't want my 15 years of formal education in the subject to go waste. I wanted to do something with my degree, so I went from schools to colleges, asking if they would have me as an honorary teacher," she explains.

After several searches, she was informed of a vacancy for a qualified artist in the department of architecture in University Visvesvaraya College of Engineering. She took up the job in the early 1970s and retired from her role in 2001. "I wanted to pursue many different things even when I had a full-time job, but it was difficult to manage both home, work and additional interests. So, I waited patiently and after retirement, I took up projects that include canvas and mural work," says Dravid.

Family support, she says, has helped her pursue her ambitions. "When my children, Rahul and Vijay, were younger, they were obviously busy in their own career paths. But they or my husband, Sharad, never once made me feel like I couldn't do it. They constantly supported me and never demanded my time when I was working. They were independent and encouraged me to pursue my dreams," says Dravid, who spent the lockdown painting. "It kept me entertained, busy and I continue to learn with my work," she says.

The art exhibition at Gallery Duomo, 16th Floor, UB City, is open to the public from 12 pm to 12 am. This will go on till end of January 2022. For details, call 94817 79670 or 8553647608.

Dr Pushpa Dravid

ON DISPLAY

Curated by Harish Kumar Sejekan, the exhibition will also showcase works of celebrated artsites MF Husain, Ram Kumar, Yusuf Arakkal, Dr Bharat Thakur, Milind Nayak, Ganesh Dobbamani, Ramesh Terdal, Sujata Sah Sejekan and Santhosh CH. "Through the gallery, I wish to encourage art of all forms and I want the space to be a melting pot for various artists and art forms," says Sejekan.

Rahul Dravid

One of her paintings on display

FESTIVITY AND FEAST

On the occasion of Loy Krathong, a Thai festival celebrated annually, a select group of Bengalureans came together at a star property in the city for a Thai cooking session, organised by the Tourism Authority of Thailand – Mumbai office.

CITY READ

Vietnam showcases start-up ecosystem at Tech Summit

Vietnam showcased its start-up ecosystem at Bengaluru Tech Summit 2021. Vietnamese Ambassador to India, Pham Sanh Chau, said that science and technology is one of the critical pillars of the comprehensive strategic partnership between Vietnam and India. It is also emphasised as one of the key strategies in the socio-economic development of Vietnam in the upcoming period. Face-to-face, online meetings and seminars have demonstrated the goodwill to cooperate in science and technology between Vietnam and India.

City-based university celebrates Founder's Day

CMR University and CMR Group of Institutions celebrated Founder's Day recently on their campus in Bagalur. Remembering the founders, Chikka Muniyappa Reddy and Ashwathamma Chikka Muniyappa Reddy, the occasion also witnessed the inauguration of the cafeteria at the main campus along with a bhoomi puja at the staff housing block. The event was attended by Arvind Limbavali, MLA of Mahadevapura constituency, KC Ramamurthy, IPS, who handed over plaques and certificates to 265 employees who were honoured on the occassion.

WATCH LIST

BITCOIN (ENGLISH)

Streaming: Docubay

With the current 'bitcoin scam' that is creating headlines in India, here is a documentary that questions whether bitcoins will mean bidding adieu to the concept of cash. The series looks at how cryptocurrency evades the apex banks and also highlights how it can help the global economy save $2 billion as transaction charges. But how far are bitcoins legal and safe? What is the scope of digital currency, going ahead? Watch to know.

THE WHEEL OF TIME, SEASON 1 (ENGLISH)

Streaming: Amazon Prime Video

The series is set in an epic fantasy world and follows Moiraine, a member of a powerful all-female organisation called the Aes Sedai, as she arrives in the small town of Two Rivers. She then embarks on a dangerous, world-spanning journey with five young villagers, one of whom is prophesied to be the Dragon Reborn, the one who will either save or destroy humanity.
Cast: Rosamund Pike, Daniel Henney

THE FLASH, SEASON 8 (ENGLISH)

Streaming: Amazon Prime Video

The Flash is back with a new season and a new set of challenges. When the powerful alien Despero unleashes near annihilation, The Flash and his team must once again pull up their socks to defy impossible odds to save the day.
Cast: Grant Gustin, Candice Patton, Danielle Panabaker

COWBOY BEBOP, SEASON 1 (ENGLISH)

Streaming: Netflix

Spike Spiegel, Jet Black and Faye Valentine form a scrappy team, ready to hunt down the solar system's most dangerous criminals. But they can only kick and quip their way out of so many scuffles and challenges before their pasts finally begins to haunt them.
Cast: John Cho, Mustafa Shakir

GRUB HUB

Debolina Ray, a Bengaluru-based food & travel blogger who runs a blog called She Knows Grub, dishes out fun food-related trivia in this weekly series. So, answer these three questions and find out how much of a foodie you are

THE QUIZ WILL BE PUBLISHED EVERY SATURDAY

Send answers to **bengalurucityexpress@gmail.com** with the subject line **'Food quiz'**

The correct answers and names of the first three respondents with right answers will be featured in *CE*.

The first prize winner this week will win a complimentary voucher worth ₹2,000 from from Lavonne **

THE RIGHT ANSWERS

1)The Spitfire Barbecue Truck 2)SWAT for Serving With A Twist' 3) Le Casse Croûte

FIRST THREE TO GET IT RIGHT

1) Namratha Jagtap
2) Ramesh MP
3) Viraj Reddy

***Conditions apply**

KIDS' MUSICAL

The World of Music Instruments is an interactive workshop, taking place inside the museum's instruments' gallery, where children will engage with sound through instruments and stories about music and musicians at Indian Music Experience. **When:** Nov 27 **Details:** bookmyshow.com

POT FAVOURS

Learn hand-building and wheel-throwing with this fun pottery workshop at Lahe Lahe. **When:** Till Nov 30 **Details:** bookmyshow.com

LALBAGH TALK

Catch naturalist Vijay Thiruvady talk about his book *Lalbagh – Sultans' Garden to Public Park* and present key features of the garden. **When:** Nov 27 **Details:** Bangalore International Centre, Domlur

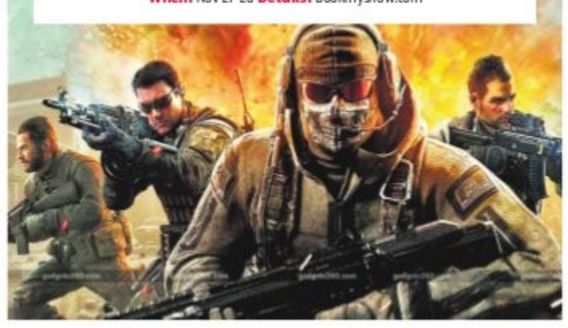
MOVIE AND CHILL

Enjoy this cosy weather and have a romantic movie date in a private theatre with your loved ones. **When:** Till Nov 30 **Details:** bookmyshow.com

MAKE PLANS TO CATCH BOLLYWOOD SINGER **BENNY DAYAL** LIVE AT UB CITY ARENA. | **WHEN:** DEC 11 | **DETAILS:** BOOKMYSHOW.COM

TIME FOR BATTLE

If you're a Call of Duty fan, here's a chance to participate in the mobile tournament and win some prizes. **When:** Nov 27-28 **Details:** bookmyshow.com



MAGIC MAN

Are you interested in magic? Catch Karan Singh read your mind and figure out your personal details. **When:** Till Dec 19 **Details:** bookmyshow.com

SPECIAL GIFTS

For a unique gift choice, try the VAHDAM assorted gifts sampler. Natural and pure ingredients with zero artificial flavouring, the pyramid shaped bags come in a gamut of varied flavours. **Visit:** vahdamteas.in

SCIENCE COMEDY

Catch Rajasekhar Mamidanna's standup comedy show 'Science it up' where he will talk about science concepts in a hilarious way. **When:** Nov 28 **Details:** bookmyshow.com

CHEF'S SKILLS

Learn some kitchen hacks with Manasvvi Desai as she teaches you the basics of cooking, how to plan your meal and everything else you want to know about cooking. **When:** Nov 21 **Details:** insider.in

TREKKING DIARIES

Turn your upcoming weekend around and head to Uttari Betta for the sunrise trek and water activities. **When:** Nov 26-27 **Details:** bookmyshow.com

QUICK FIX

What's cooking

IN YOUR KITCHEN?
We are hungry for recipes with minimum ingredients and maximum flavours. Share your quick-fix with us, along with step-by-step photos, at cityexpresschn@gmail.com.

MUSHROOM PAKODA

INGREDIENTS

- **Button mushroom:** 100 g ■ **Whole wheat:** 4 tbsp ■ **Chickpeas flour:** 4 tbsp
- **Coriander powder:** 1 tsp ■ **Kitchen king masala:** 1 tsp ■ **Red chilli powder:** 1 tsp
- **Salt** to taste ■ **Water** to make the paste

METHOD

- Mix all the masalas and add water (approx 1/4 cup) to make the paste.
- Wash and pat dry button mushroom.
- Add mushrooms to the paste. Take appe pan, put a drop of oil in each cavity, spread the oil with help of a silicon brush.
- Once it's hot enough, put the mushroom and let me cook/ brown from one side. Turn it on the other side and cover the lid. Enjoy them hot with Muhammara or mint chutney.

— Kirti Yadav, Bengaluru

FIT BIT

PARIVRTTA SUKHASANA

(EASY TWIST POSE)

In Sanskrit, parivrtta means 'revolved', su means 'good', kha means 'space', asana means 'posture.' It is a simple beginner seated pose with a twist. As a twisting pose, this asana is believed to open the Manipura (navel or solar plexus) chakra. This chakra, or energy center, is associated with personal transformation and power. Activating Manipura boosts self-esteem, confidence and motivation.

STEPS

- Start in Sukhasana.
- Your sitting position should be straight with the spine and back erect and breathe normally.
- Now, place the right palm on the floor to the right of the hips with fingers pointing outwards.
- Then, slowly start exhaling and turn the upper body to the right along with the neck. Simultaneously, move the left hand to the right knee. Exhale completely and twist the torso further to the right. The neck can turn and look back over the shoulders.
- Make sure the spine is straight and the head is pulled up during the twist. Maintain this position for as long as comfortable.
- Inhale and slowly turn the upper body along with the neck to the left and come back to the normal sitting position. The hands come back to the normal position over the thighs or knees.
- Repeat this process on the left side too. This constitutes one round of the practice.
- You can do as many rounds, if you are comfortable.

BENEFITS

- Helps to increase the flexibility of the upper back and spine.
- It stretches the upper chest, hips, neck and shoulders.
- It helps to massage the abdominal organs.
- It helps to lengthen the torso and spine. Helps to stimulates the liver and kidneys, and energises the spine.
- Helps to stimulate the Agni (digestive fire).

LIMITATIONS

- People with injury in the hips, neck, shoulders, spine, lower back, knees, pelvic floor muscles, or any abdominal injury, should avoid this pose.
- Students with weak knees or tight hips or general body weakness, especially the senior citizens, can follow the twist by sitting on the chair.

By N Elumalai, PhD scholar (Yoga Science), at Meenakshi Academy of Higher Education & Research, Chennai

SOUND BOARD

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If you've ever wanted to know about champagne, satanism, the Stonewall Uprising, chaos theory, LSD, El Nino, true crime and Rosa Parks, then look no further. Josh and Chuck have you covered.

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SMARTLESS

A nice surprise: in each episode of SmartLess, one of the hosts reveals his mystery guest to the other two. What ensues is a genuinely improvised and authentic conversation filled with laughter and newfound knowledge to feed the SmartLess mind.

- Available on: Spotify

THE SHRINK NEXT DOOR

Veteran journalist Joe Nocera's neighbour in the Hamptons was a therapist named Ike. Ike counted celebrities and Manhattan elites as his patients. He'd host star-studded parties at his eccentric vacation house.

- Available on: Google Podcasts

CRIME JUNKIE

Hosted by Ashley Flowers and Brit, Crime Junkie is for you if you can never get enough true crime. New episodes drops every week.

- Available on: Spotify

THE THING ABOUT HELEN & OLGA

Helen and Olga are old ladies who open their hearts and wallets to down-and-out men in Los Angeles. In a city named for angels, the two women seem heaven-sent.

- Available on: Google Podcasts

POPULAR ON YOUTUBE

ANDAMAN

Due to a misunderstanding, Monisha and Anand, a happily married couple, decide to get a divorce and fight for their daughter's affection. Soon, Monisha's friend's involvement in their dispute emerges.

- Cast: Shiva Rajkumar, Vinaya Prasad, HG Dattatreya, Shruthi Raj

RAJA RAJATHAN

Raja, a young man with visual impairment, takes it upon himself to protect Lucky after a gangster attempts to kill her. Impressed by his courage, Lucky falls in love with Raja.

- Cast: Mehreen Kaur Pirzada, Ravi Teja, Prakash Raj, Vivan Bhatena

KRISHNA-RUKKU

Grown up fighting over minute things. However, they realise they love each other just when they are about to part ways.

- Cast: Ajay Rao, Amulya, Girija Lokesh, Lekha Chandra

PALLAKKI

A young and carefree man believes that enjoying life and falling in love are more important than family. Later, he understands the realities of life when the woman he loved leaves him.

- Cast: Prem Kumar, Ramaneetu Chaudhari, Sharann, Sumithra

ORU ADAAR LOVE

With some help from his friends, a teenager begins dating his classmate. However, an incident causes a rift between them and he falls in love with his best friend.

- Cast: Priya Prakash Varrier, Mohammed Roshan, Noorin Shereef, Aneesh Menon

WHAT'S ON TED TALKS

1 THE INVISIBLE LIFE HIDDEN BENEATH ANTARCTICA'S ICE BY ARIEL WALDMAN

Explorer and artist Ariel Waldman introduces the charismatic creatures lurking beneath Antarctica's massive ice sheet, the largest on earth. From "cuddly" water bears to geometric algae made of glass, Waldman shows how this seemingly barren landmass is actually a polar oasis of life — if we just know where to look.

2 THE JOY OF SHOPPING — AND HOW TO RECAPTURE IT ONLINE BY NIMISHA JAIN

Shopping is about more than just what you buy: it's a treasure hunt to discover something new, a negotiation to get a great deal, a time to catch up with friends and family. But for many, online shopping has turned the experience into an impersonal, unsatisfactory event. Is there a way to bring back the magic?

3 LESSONS FROM A FORMER AIR FORCE PILOT ON COUNTERINTUITIVE THINKING BY JEFF KOZAK

Former Air Force Reserve Colonel Jeff Kozak once saved his company $500,000 in just 10 days by approaching a jet fuel problem with a seemingly backwards strategy. Kozak's success resulted in the development of a new, optimized process for mid-air refuelling.

4 RACISM THRIVES ON SILENCE — SPEAK UP! BY DEXTER DIAS

Telling the story of a harrowing UK court case that spotlights the corrosive effects of injustice, Dias urges us all to speak out and expose toxic myths about race — in order to allow hope, change and justice to flourish.

5 HOW FEAR OF NUCLEAR POWER IS HURTING THE ENVIRONMENT BY MICHAEL SHELLENBERGER

In this passionate talk, he explains why it's time to overcome longstanding fears of the technology, and why he and other environmentalists believe it's past time to embrace nuclear as a viable and desirable source of clean power.

NOW STREAMING

REGIONAL

SEETHARAM BENOY (Kannada)

An inspector posted to a rural forested area becomes intrigued with the series of strange robberies and crimes in his jurisdiction and is determined to get to the root of it.

Cast: Vijay Raghavendra, Sathwik Hebbar

- Watch on: Amazon Prime Video

LIFT (Tamil)

A man's first day on the job turns into a nightmare after some vengeful spirits begin to create trouble by trapping him in an elevator.

Cast: Kavin, Amritha Iyer

- Watch on: Disney+ Hotstar

UDANPIRAPPE (Tamil)

A woman tries to establish peace in her family when her husband and her brother have an intense difference of opinion over the efficacy of the justice system.

Cast: Jyothika, Sashikumar

- Watch on: Amazon Prime Video

EE NAGARANIKI EMAINDI (Telugu)

Childhood friends Vivek, Karthik, Kaushik, and Uppi hope for careers in film-making during university but eventually give up and settle into other jobs. To earn money for a wedding, they enter Goa Short film festival and rekindle their dream.

Cast: Anisha Ambrose, Abhinav Gomatam

- Watch on: Netflix

JATHI RATNALU (Telugu)

Three young men leave their village to find decent jobs in the city. However, they find themselves in a pickle when a minister blackmails them for a lost mobile phone.

Cast: Faria Abdullah, Naveen Polishetty, Anudeep KV

- Watch on: Amazon Prime Video

All the streaming apps can be accessed on smartphones and smart TVs with Internet connection.

CHUZHAL (Malayalam)

When five youngsters visit a resort at a hill station, they begin experiencing a haunting presence of a being.

Cast: Jaffer Idukki, Nilja

- Watch on : Amazon Prime Video

MUNDUVAREDA ADHYAYA (Kannada)

Bala handles a high-profile murder case that gets more complicated as time progresses. What seems like a breakthrough, takes him two steps back and leaves him puzzled beyond imagination.

Cast: Aditya, Vinay Rai

- Watch on: Amazon Prime Video

FOREIGN

THE GREEN KNIGHT (English)

This is the story of Gawain, a knight and the nephew of King Arthur, and his encounters with the mysterious Green Knight. The mysterious knight barges into a Christmas feast held by the king and challenges anyone to land a blow on him in exchange for his fabled green axe.

Cast: Dev Patel, Alicia Vikander, Joel Edgerton, Sarita Choudhury

- Watch on: Amazon Prime Video

THE DISASTROUS LIFE OF SAIKI K (Japanese, series)

High school sophomore Kusuo Saiki swore as a child that he would keep his psychic talents hidden, but his abilities still make his life difficult.

Cast: Hiroshi Kmiya, Daisuke Ono, Nobunaga Shimakazi

- Watch on: Netflix

I KNOW WHAT YOU DID LAST SUMMER (English)

At their high school graduation, the tight-knit group of friends accidentally kill someone in a car crash and vow to keep it a secret between them instead of reporting it to the cops.

Cast: Madison Iseman, Brianne Tju

- Watch on: Amazon Prime Video

SQUID GAME (Korean, series)

Hundreds of cash-strapped contestants accept an invitation to compete in children's games for a tempting prize, but the stakes are deadly.

Cast: Ho Yeon Jung, Lee Jung-jae

- Watch on: Netflix

Disney+Hotstar: ₹ 399 per month
Sony Liv: ₹ 299 per month
Prime Video: ₹ 129 per month
Mubi: ₹ 499 per month

Many students are influenced by television commercials that are based on stocks. Moreover colleges also have now come up with financial clubs

– **Nisary Mahesh, financial expert**

I started off by investing in three to five companies. However the pandemic gave me time to understand the market better after which I have now moved to cryptos – **Akshay Patil, student**

GAINING EXPERIENCE

Students are now investing in stocks and shares to earn a passive income, find many Bengaluru-based financial experts

SANATH PRASAD

IT was in 2020 that Sai Krishna (19), an engineering student actively engaged in stocks and shares. Inspired by the stories of Ratan Tata, Rakesh Jhunjhunwala and Bill Gates, and inspired by books like *The Little Book of Common Sense of Investing* (by John C Bogle), Krishna became a day trader.

Several like Krishna are dabbling in the stock market, find experts, who point to the pandemic. Students between the age group of 17 and 21 are taking part in discussions around the stock market. Moreover, they also claim that students now understand the trajectory of the Indian economy and are able to realise that taking big risks to get profitable returns are an effective way to sustain the high inflation rates. Drifting away from the average Indian family mindset of investing in financial instruments, like fixed deposits, mutual funds, recurring deposits, students now want to 'evolve' and set a new financial template to earn gains, claim experts.

Nisary Mahesh, founder of HerMoneyTalks, a financial platform based in Bengaluru, believes that a lot of financial clubs have cropped up in many leading colleges in Bengaluru, making it mandatory for students to learn the basic fundamentals of trading in stocks. "More students are now finding opportunities to invest in stocks. According to our survey on what lures youngsters into the stock market, we found that financial advertisements on television, especially during cricket tournaments, have impressed them. I have conducted over 250 online sessions on financial awareness among students across India, and the participation has only increased. We now find at least 100 to 120 students attending the sessions, compared to a lower turnout during the pre-pandemic times," says Mahesh, who also cautions freshers against investing in companies which have just gone public, and insists on investing in 'tried-and-tested' stocks.

Kumar V Jahgirdar, a Bengaluru-based stock broker and member of the National Stock Exchange for more than 30 years, says, "About 50-60 students in their mid-teens have approached me for tips on investing in stocks, recently. It is important to note that investing in equities is not a gamble. Students these days want to make a quick buck, but I believe it should always be a long-term investment that is focused on security," says Jahgirdar, who also believes that students would predominantly prefer investing firms like information technology or established multinational corporations.

Akshay Patil, an engineering student, who wanted to create a passive income for himself, prefers investing in monopoly companies. "I started off by investing in three to five companies and then changed my decision based on some technical and market factors. The pandemic gave me the time to understand the market better after which I have now moved to cryptos," he says.

Ritvik Vipin, co-founder of Havenspire, a stock market training platform, finds 85 per cent of their participants are college-going students. What used to be just 30 members per batch before the pandemic, has now shot up to 100, claims Vipin. "A lot of our students are now opening DMAT accounts and making an official entry into the market. Students find the experience of trading very fascinating because they are thrilled to see their pocket money double and triple. However, a student must develop discipline and get rid of certain emotions like disappointment if he/she incurs losses," says Vipin.

Aditya Chandrashekar, a techie, who started actively investing in stocks during his final semester in college last year, says that the pandemic made him an active trader in equities. "With high inflation rates, I did not find it right to invest in a fixed deposit. I believe that investing in big companies is a safe option to start with. I have invested in stock of firms like steel, insurance and financial services," he says.

MARKET WATCH FOR STARTERS

STOCK TRADING PLATFORMS
Angel Broking, Upstox, Motilal Oswal, Sharekhan

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SECTORS TO INVEST
Information technology, financial services, steel, automobile, etc

Time-tested concoctions

PAIRED WITH PANACHE
Anuja Pandey

(The author is social media influencer @loftyspectrums and lifestyle coach)

AYURVEDA is a revered holistic routine and helps create inner harmony, synergy and balance. This inner peace never fails to reflect on our skin and hair. This is the season of festivities and weddings. As we step into winter and brides are turning bridezillas, one needs to have a customised skin and hair care routine. We need to bolster our wellness regime between these endless to-do lists for wedding planning. The stress needs to be balanced with time-honoured rituals that nourish our mind, body and soul. It is here that Ayurveda comes into play. If we view our beauty regime through the Ayurvedic lens, it's impossible not to realise that beauty is not just about the products we use, but an overall way of life.

This wedding season, put a smile on your mother-in-law's face or gift yourself an aromatic bath ritual kit. Festivals are meant to spread joy, happiness and smiles. Ayurvedic beauty and wellness brands that provide customised hair and skin care and wellness regimes are curated to suit each individual's body characteristics, as identified by their doshas. Every person is born with a unique set of Doshas (Vata, Pitta and Kapha) that make up their Prakuriti. If true Ayurvedic solutions are customised to address each individual's uniqueness, then what could be a better gift this season than the gift of clean and green beauty products?

As 'Nayab' Vedix celebrates festivals of India with mithai, crackers and Soundarya, Jatin Gujrati, business head, Vedix, says, "This festive season will be a special one as all of us step into the post-pandemic world. We wish to share and bring cheer to our one million customers by doing something special for them. We have brought our 5,000-year-old dharohar which works as a gift from a father-in-law to his son-in-law, daughter-in-law or something that can be gifted to a mother, sisters, brothers or even yourself as an act of love.

The concept of customisation is still new and unique in the Indian well-

ness landscape. The breaking of the notion that one size fits all or one product could suit everyone is required. To break free from the vicious cycle of trials and failures and its negative repercussions on the skin and hair, is essential. The Ayurvedic market needs to innovate themselves to reinstate the belief of consumers in sustainable beauty.

Gifting is an art and it could be a mood lifter. Gifting around the wedding season and birthdays, marks an act of love and bonding. The choice of gift reinforces the relationships. So, gift with love this season and what better than customised beauty and grooming boxes.

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ARE YOU GAME?
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(This economics graduate spends her leisure time preparing for the zombie apocalypse)

REFLECTING: THE GAME AWARDS

EVERY year is the same. It's September, October, and then "Time to Reflect". We're close to the end of another great year of gaming. This period of reflection begins with "The Game Awards". To be a good award event, the nominations should be reprehensibly incomplete. There has to be room for people to criticise the event. The Game Awards were considerate enough to not let a few games be credited in certain categories, so now people are happily angry about it.

The Game Awards covers 30 different categories. This about covers the breadth of it — significant AAA games, platform exclusives, and popular indies. It even has brackets for content creators and esports games. Awards are a great place to filter out exactly the kind of games that you want to play. Fortunately, I have you covered since most of the nominations were reviewed this year on this column! This

year, the favourite seems to be Deathloop, with it being nominated across categories.

The most prestigious category is the "Game of the Year". Of the 6 nominees, Ratchet and Clank and Metroid Dread are console exclusives. Resident Evil Village, It Takes Two, Psychonauts 2, and Deathloop are the remaining in this list. I'm personally rooting for Loop Hero, and Life is Strange to bag awards in their respective categories (both great games for beginners!). I was only disappointed at Cyberpunk 2077's muted appearance in the nominations; sad that a game that is so visually brilliant faced such a discordant reaction. But there's hope for it in the coming years, the Awards have categories for ongoing games and community support as well; it's not just for games that released in a specific year.

The winner announcements are made Live on the 6th of December. The winners are picked based on our votes! Be sure to vote for your favourite games (or vote for the game that looks the nicest). Personally, I would love to see FIFA voted out of the Sports category. I'm also hoping that next year introduces a "Toxicity Award" to account for the maximum number of offended gamers in any online game. If the "Most Anticipated Games" are any indication of next year's nominees, then we're going to have a tough time with the votes same time, 2022. Till then, game on!

PIXIE SECRETS

On things that spark joy

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Beauty behaviour with a side of dessert

One of the earliest instances I recall wanting something, desperately wanting something, was when I was first at a Clinique counter. My mum had taken me along to restock her night cream, and the visit ended with my face in hot, sticky tears. All I wanted, correction — needed, was 3 lipsticks. They were glossy shades of pink, red, and orange. I was probably ten, but I needed them. Shamefully, perhaps, but I did.

"You need medicine when you're sick. You're ten. You're too young for makeup, and definitely don't need lipstick."

"But... I. Love. Them," I said, crying through hiccups.

"You should never love something that won't love you back."

I have now learned that this is one of my mother's favourite things to say. She's big on the idea that material objects aren't things you could love. But I promise you: I did love objects. I still do. And while I'd like to think that simply looking at jewellery, cosmetics and handbags brings me as much joy as owning them, it doesn't.

When I see an alluring product, something very physical happens to me (it starts in my stomach) and in an almost regimental fashion, my obsessive process begins. First, I take a photo for my records. If I'm still thinking about it the next day, I search for it online. Look at reviews, speak to a friend, and dig up some research. If there's a sale on the horizon, I try to wait, and am sometimes successful.

As you can probably imagine, I do have a hard time identifying the difference between a want and a need. How does anyone define a need, really? What if I consider it a hobby?

It's only very rarely that I find a product that checks both boxes, wants and needs, even keeping the most judicious shoppers in mind. The most recent ones being a cute pair of cat earrings with a tiny little adorable emerald on his tail, and the Laneige Lip Sleeping Mask. A god-send in colder months, this formula falls somewhere between a balm and a cream. It works absolute magic by slowly melting into your lips overnight, reversing damage, and ensuring you wake up with supple, hydrated lips — as dewy as a blade of grass after fresh-fallen rain.

I wish there was a wholesome end to this story where my shopping problem was cured — a point at which I found a solution to not needing things. I recently skimmed through Marie Kondo's book, who suggests you keep only the things that spark joy. But what if you're able to find a lot of things that spark joy? I mean, a cat with an emerald tail? What's more joyful than that?

CITY READ

Machinery company inaugurates new facility

Tata Hitachi inaugurated its new machine care facility set up by their dealership, PSN Group at Bengaluru, on Sunday. The machine care facility is fully equipped with trained technicians and spare parts to cater to maintenance and service requirement of machines. The facility consists of workshops for machine refurbishment, welding, fabrication, paint shop, engine and hydraulic workshop.

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Aditi Sagar to play a key role in Shivarajkumar's 125th film *Veda*

The film, directed by Harsha under the banner Geetha Pictures, was officially launched today; shooting to begin in Dec

A SHARADHAA

SHIVARAJKUMAR'S 125th film, *Veda,* directed by A Harsha, was officially launched in a simple event today. The makers are planning to start the shooting in December. A huge set will be constructed in Bengaluru, where the first schedule will be shot.

A still from *Veda*

Meanwhile, the director is finalising the cast. *CE* has learnt that the Shivarajkumar-starrer film will also have singer Aditi Sagar making her debut as an actor.

Harsha

Aditi, daughter of actor-art director Arun Sagar, made her debut as a singer with the song *Dum Maro Dum* in *Rambo 2*. Our source tells us that she plays a key role, and more details of the film will be revealed soon.

Shivarajkumar also has *Bairaage* and *Nee Siguvaregu* in the making. *Veda* marks the debut production venture under the star's home production *Geetha* Pictures.

The technical crew consists of music director Arjun Janya, cinematographer J Swamy, and editor Deepu S Kumar. The trio worked with director Harsha for *Bhajarangi 2*, and it is collaborating for *Veda* too. This also marks the fourth collaboration of Shivarajkumar and Harsha after *Vajrakaya, Bhajarangi,* and *Bhajarangi 2*.

Aditi Sagar

MUGIL PETE BRINGS BACK OLD-FASHIONED ROMANCE

A SHARADHAA

BHARATH S Navunda's *Mugil Pete* instantly reminds you of romantic movies from yesteryear - especially of Ravichandran films which had a few streaks of commercial elements. Though it is a commendable effort of the director to make an old-fashioned drama, one is unsure if such an experiment will make an impact today.

The story revolves around the couple Raja (Manuranjan Ravichandran) and Apoorva (Kayadu Lohar). It kicks off as a pleasant love story with Sridhar V Sambhram's hummable melodies and background score, then turns into a moving story about separation. The narrative is about how the love between the two slowly wanes.

Bharath knows the intricacies of filmmaking and the importance of commercial elements in a love story. So, the romantic drama also has a bit of comedy and action sequences. However, the director has his bet on the hero Manuranjan Ravichandran. The way the audience perceives his performance will be a deciding factor in the success of the film.

RATING 3/5

Manuranjan shows potential as an actor and seems to have matched the expectations of the director. On the other hand, Kayadu Lohar is also a revelation, and this film might turn out to be a much-needed debut for the actress. Also, the supporting cast including Sadhu Kokila, Avinash, Tara, and Cockroach Sudhi have done a commendable job in the film.

However, technically the film turns out to be mediocre with not too many bold moves from the cinematographer and editing team. The movie should have been shorter as the scope of the subject doesn't warrant such a long runtime. A tauter screenplay would have done a great deal in favor of the film.

If you are one of those who like leisurely-paced romantic entertainers, *Mugil Pete* is for you. As far as the recreation of Ravichandran's iconic scene from *Premaloka* in *Mugil Pete*, it is better to let the classics be.

MUGIL PETE

Cast: Manuranjan RAvichandran, Kayad Lohar Tara, Avinash, Sadhu Kokila,and Prashanth Siddi,

Director: Bharath S Naunda

Delroy Lindo on board Marvel's *Blade* film

CE FEATURES

ACTOR Delroy Lindo, best-known for his roles in Da 5 Bloods, Battlecreek, and Malcolm X, has joined the cast of Marvel's upcoming superhero film, *Blade*. The casting was officially confirmed recently by the studio.

The film stars Academy Award-winning actor Mahershala Ali in the titular role. Lindo is the second actor to join the cast of the film, but his role is currently under wraps.

Bassam Tariq, whose directing credits include These Birds Walk and Mogul Mowgli, will be helming the film, while Stacy Osei-Kuffour will be scripting it. The film is set to enter production in July 2022.

Lindo's other acting credits include *Heist*, This Christmas, and Malicious, among others. He was most recently seen in Netflix's western drama, *The Harder They Fall*.

D Beats audio label ventures into film distribution

CE FEATURES

DBeats, an audio label company owned by V Harikrishna and Shylaja Nag, are now venturing into film distribution. "Distribution is the way forward," says the music composer-director Harikrishna. He adds, "Especially in times when films are making a pan India appeal, it is necessary to enter into other aspects of cinema."

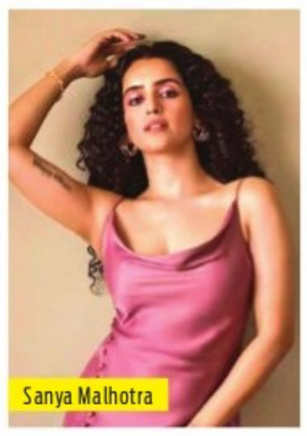
"It was a long-pending move by the D Beats. We were planning to open our distribution house even before the pandemic. Officially, we began the new venture on November 14," says Harikrishna. "To bring everything about cinema in one compound is our aim. We will soon be coming up with a studio," says music composer anddirector, who is currently busy shooting for Darshan's *Kranti*.

> *To bring everything about cinema in one compound is our aim. We will soon be coming up with a studio*
> — V Harikrishna, music composer and director

Shylaja Nag says, "We have always talked about involving ourselves in every aspect of cinema, and distribution is our next step. Content and business go hand in hand and are interdependent. Our first association for the silver screen was *Yajamana*, where we got first-hand experience of distribution. We have decided to give a 360-degree approach to our upcoming films. Secondly, I believe that a company can become healthy once the balance sheet is healthy. We have lined up a couple of films, and will begin with Darshan's *Kranti*."

V Harikrishna

Shylaja Nag


Sanya Malhotra

HIT - The First Case: Rajkummar Rao, Sanya Malhotra starrer to release on May 20 2022

CE FEATURES

THE Hindi remake of *HIT - The First Case* has a release date. The film, starring Rajkummar Rao and Sanya Malhotra, will arrive in theatres on May 20, 2022. The mystery thriller is produced by Bhushan Kumar, Dil Raju, Krishan Kumar and Kuldeep Rathore. The remake of *HIT* is directed by Dr Sailesh Kolanu, who also helmed the Telugu original. The makers feel the Telugu film that was well-received will now 'transcend boundaries with its remake'.

HIT - The First Case is the tale of a cop on the trail of a missing girl. Speaking about the film, Rajkummar had earlier shared, "When I saw *HIT*, I instantly connected with it. It's an engaging story, relevant in today's environment. As an actor, I am always on the lookout to play characters I haven't explored and *HIT* gives me a chance to do that. I'm looking forward to taking this journey with Sailesh and Mr Dil Raju." Rajkummar's forthcoming films *Badhaai Do and Monica, O My Darling*.

Rajkummar Rao

Annabella Sciorra to headline crime drama *Fresh Kills*

CE FEATURES

ACTOR Annabella Sciorra will star in the upcoming crime drama *Fresh Kills*. Written and directed by Jennifer Esposit, the film is set in the world of organised crime and is inspired by the writer-director's upbringing in New York City's Staten Island.

The film centres on the loyal women behind the mob men who loomed over New York City in the late 20th century. Sciorra will play a widow named Christine in the film. Esposito will also star in the film as Christine's protective older sister Francine Larusso.

Laal Singh Chaddha to clash with *KGF2*

CE FEATURES

Aamir Khan-starrer *Laal Singh Chaddha* will open in cinemas on Baisakhi, April 14, 2022.

The film, directed by Advait Chandan, is the official Indian adaptation of Forrest Gump. It also stars Kareena Kapoor Khan, Mona Singh and Naga Chaitanya.

Laal Singh Chaddha will clash at the box office with *KGF: Chapter 2*. The second instalment in the *KGF* saga stars Yash with antagonist Sanjay Dutt.

"We are happy to share our new poster and our new release date :)," Aamir Khan Productions tweeted.

Laal Singh Chaddha is adapted by Atul Kulkarni from Eric Roth's original screenplay. The film's music is composed by Pritam with lyrics by Amitabh Bhattacharya. It is presented by Viacom18 Studios.

Forrest Gump, released in 1994, was the story of an Alabama youth whose life journey coincides with important events in American history. In the Hindi version, Aamir portrays a Sardar man who goes through a similar arc, in the Indian context. The film is pegged as a love story and was shot in over 100 locations across India.

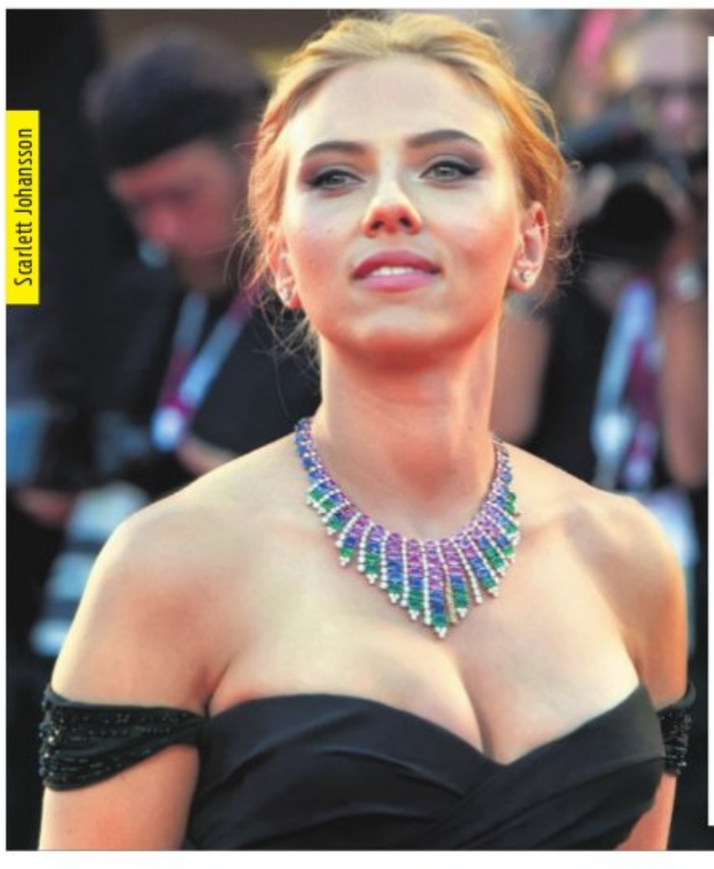
Jug Jugg Jeeyo gets a release date

CE FEATURES

DHARMA Productions' Jug Jugg Jeeyo will release theatrically on June 24, 2022. The comedy-drama stars Varun Dhawan, Kiara Advani, Anil Kapoor and Neetu Kapoor. It is directed by Raj Mehta.

"Come celebrate the wholesomeness of family with Jug Jugg Jeeyo! Coming to warm your hearts in cinemas near you on 24th June, 2022," the makers tweeted. New stills from Jug Jugg Jeeyo depict a wedding, with Kiara as the bride and Varun as her groom. Anil Kapoor plays Varun's father in the film.

Jug Jugg Jeeyo is part of a multi-film deal between Dharma Productions and Viacom18. The deal also includes Karan Johar's forthcoming directorial Rocky Aur Rani Ki Prem Kahani, Shakun Batra's next and a Shashank Khaitan film featuring Vicky Kaushal, Kiara Advani and Bhumi Pednekar.


Scarlett Johansson

Scarlett Johansson working on a new MCU project

CE FEATURES

KEVIN Feige, the chief of Marvel Studios, has revealed that Scarlett Johansson, who has played Black Widow in the Marvel Cinematic Universe, is attached to another project that's being developed at the studio. Feige hinted at the development during the American Cinematheque gala, where several cast members from the previous Marvel films were in attendance. It remains unknown whether Johansson will be starring in the new project. "We already are working with Scarlett on another not Black Widow-related top-secret Marvel Studios project," Feige said. Scarlett recently starred as Natasha Romanoff in the Black Widow solo film, which was also the center of a legal battle between the actor and Disney after the studio opted for a simultaneous theatre and simultaneous release.

The legal row was settled in late September, but the terms and conditions remain undisclosed. Meanwhile, Johansson will be next seen in Asteroid City.